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Alumnus will address black students

Marshall University will hold its sixth annual Honors Weekend for outstanding black high school students on Friday and Saturday, Nov 2-3.

The purpose of the event is to give recognition to outstanding black students from Tri-State area high schools, let them know Marshall is interested in them and encourage them to continue their educations, according to Kenneth E. Blue, associate dean for student affairs at Marshall.

Students, who were selected for recognition by their high school principals and counselors, will participate in a variety of activities which will include recreational activities and presentations on academics and campus life.

Merit students to visit MU

Approximately 1,000 students from high schools in West Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky are expected to take part in Marshall University's National Merit Semi-Finalist and Honor Graduate Day on Thursday, Nov. 1, according to MU Admissions Director James W. Harless.

Participants will receive information on academic opportunities offered by Marshall, scholarships, student financial aid, honors programs, the School of Medicine, the Society of Yeager Scholars and other topics of interest to college-bound students.

Marshall Interim President Alan B. Gould will welcome the students to the university and representatives from each college and school will be available to talk with the students.

Activities will begin with registration at 8:30 a.m. in
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Massey's role expanded

Marshall University Comptroller Ted W. Massey has been appointed acting associate vice president for finance, according to MU Interim President Alan B. Gould.

Gould said Massey will serve as the university's chief financial officer until such time as Vice President for Finance Herbert J. Karlet is able to resume his responsibilities. Karlet and his wife, Luanna, were seriously injured in an automobile accident Saturday, Oct. 6.

Massey has been a member of the finance division's staff since 1979. He also has been employed in the financial affairs sections of the West Virginia College of Graduate Studies, the University of Charleston and the West Virginia Board of Regents.

Activities also have been planned for the students' parents who will have an opportunity to meet with representatives from Marshall's schools and colleges.

The Honors Banquet will be held at 6:30 p.m. Friday in the W. Don Morris Room in Memorial Student Center where the students will receive certificates and awards in recognition of their achievements.

Dr. Kevin S. Smith of Louisville, Ky., will be the guest speaker for the banquet. An instructor in anesthesiology at the University of Louisville School of Medicine, Smith received his bachelor's degree in zoology from Marshall and his doctor of medicine degree from the Marshall School of Medicine.

A native of Logan County and a former member of the Marshall University Thundering Herd football team, Smith specializes in cardiothoracic anesthesia and pediatric anesthesia.

He is a member of the American Society of Anesthesiologists, the Southern Medical Association, the Kentucky Medical Association, the Louisville Society of
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Peter Marshall will perform here Oct. 31

Huntington native Peter Marshall, best known as the Emmy award winning host of television's "Hollywood Squares" game show, will star in Neil Simon's comedy, "Rumors," for the Marshall Artists Series on Wednesday, Oct. 31, at 8 p.m. at the Keith-Albee Theater.

"Rumors," Simon's 23rd play, is a farce about four couples who arrive for a 10th anniversary dinner party at the home of a New York politician. The party doesn't go exactly as planned. The host shoots himself, his wife and servants are missing and the food is unprepared.

A graduate of Huntington High School, Marshall has appeared in numerous Broadway plays and has held leading roles in such hits as "The Music Man," "42nd Street" and "La Cage Aux Folles."

Marshall grew up as Peter Lacock and contrary to popular belief did not take his stage name from Marshall University. He decided on the name because his actress sister, Joanne, once used it and he thought it sounded like a good "show business" name.

Marshall still has family and friends in the Huntington area and is looking forward to a major engagement in his hometown, according to his cousin, Marty Rollins of Kenova.

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Committee discusses withdrawal policy

(The following summary of the minutes of the Sept. 20 and Oct. 18 meetings of the Marshall University Academic Standards and Curricula Review Committee was submitted by Dr. Jane Fotos.)

The Academic Standards and Curricula Review Committee met briefly on Sept. 20 to begin discussions of the current university withdrawal policy.

The number of withdrawals each semester is presenting a problem because many students are prevented from registering for classes because of closed sections. The withdrawal policy was referred to the Standards Subcommittee for study.

Deadline for WVU waivers to be Oct. 31

The deadline for submitting applications for West Virginia University tuition waivers for the spring of 1991 will be Oct. 31, according to Dr. Leonard J. Deutsch, dean of Marshall University's Graduate School.

Applications for full-time faculty and staff members are available in the MU Graduate School Office, Old Main Room 113.

Applicants will be eligible for up to six hours of graduate waiver credit.

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

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The show also stars Patricia Harty who has starred in the 1960s comedy, "Occasional Wife," and the Disney movie, "Herbie, the Love Bug." More recently she has appeared in "Wiseguy," "Who's the Boss" and "Quantum Leap."

Tickets for the performance are available for \$12, \$15 and \$18 through the Marshall Artists Series Office, 696-6656.

Students to visit MU

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Memorial Student Center. The event will end with a luncheon in honor of the students at noon in the W. Don Morris Room.

Harless said the university started National Merit Semi-Finalist and Honor Graduate Day in 1972 to inform academically gifted students about special programs offered at Marshall.

To obtain further details about National Merit Semi-Finalist and Honor Graduate Day contact the Marshall University Admissions Office, 696-3160.

During the Oct. 18 meeting, Dr. Wendell Dobbs presented the reports of the Oct. 4 and Oct. 18 meetings of the Curriculum Subcommittee. The motion to approve recommendations for additions and deletions was made, seconded and approved.

A request from Interim President Alan Gould regarding revising the military withdrawal policy for students being called to active service was reviewed. A motion was made, seconded and approved to recommend the following change in policy:

That the wording of the current policy as stated on page 63 of the current undergraduate catalog and in the graduate catalog be changed as follows: The term "called to active duty" herein defined as "called to active duty as a result of the federal activation of a total reserve component, National Guard unit, or any portion thereof which involves a particular student or an individual who is a bonafide member of the reserve component or a National Guard unit."

The policy statement will also include a phrase to allow the student to be eligible for full refund of tuition and registration fees and make the statement retroactive where appropriate.

To be eligible for the consideration above the student must present, at the time of withdrawal, a copy of the orders of activation. The official withdrawal date for purposes of determination of the three-fourths point of the semester will be the official date of activation as stated in the official orders.

The results of an Academic Appeal Hearing of Oct. 17, 1990, were reviewed and submitted for filing.

Dr. Eddy Pendarvis, chair of the Standards Subcommittee, presented the reports from the Oct. 4 and Oct. 15 meetings to the subcommittee.

The grading policy for remedial and developmental courses was discussed. Currently students in these courses earn a letter grade which is averaged into their GPA. These grades are converted to credit/noncredit status at graduation.

Discussion on whether this policy should be revised will be continued when more information is secured.

Discussion on revising the withdrawal policy was deferred until a statistical analysis of withdrawals is completed by Mike McGuffie.

Alumnus will speak

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Anesthesiologists and the International Anesthesia Research Society.

The activities will end Saturday afternoon when the students and parents will be Marshall's guests at the MU-Appalachian State football game.

To obtain further details about Honors Weekend activities contact the Office of the Associate Dean for Student Affairs, 696-5430.

'American Original' replaces program

Due to a serious automobile accident in Yugoslavia, the Ta Fantastika Black Light Theater will be replaced in the Marshall Artists Series Hindsley Series schedule by a performance of "An American Original: Mark Twain and the Sounds of New Orleans" on Thursday, Nov. 1, at 11 a.m. at the Keith-Albee Theater.

"An American Original" combines music and literature. Van Brown will portray humorist and author

Organ concert planned

Albert Zabel, MU organ instructor and organist at Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church, will present a lecture/recital marking the 100th anniversary of the death of Belgian composer Cesar Franck on Sunday, Nov. 11, at 7 p.m. at Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church, Fifth Ave. and 10th St.

Illustrated by slides, the lecture will include biographical material and comments on the significance of Franck's place in music history. The program will conclude with the playing of the composer's final work, the "Three Chorales" for organ.

Zabel has been a part-time instructor at Marshall for four years. He received degrees from Western Washington University and Westminster Choir College and studied at the University of Vienna, Austria.

Nationally known as a composer of church music, he has more than 100 works in catalogs of major music publishers.

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

Devereaux named federal consultant

Elizabeth Devereaux of the Marshall University School of Medicine has been chosen as a consultant for a federal panel on diagnosing and treating depressed patients in primary care settings.

Devereaux, an associate professor of psychiatry, will provide information on using occupational therapy to treat depression, as well as share with the group Marshall's experiences in helping rural physicians recognize and treat it.

The panel was created to develop clinical practice guidelines for general medical and family medicine practitioners. It was created by the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, the newest agency of the United States Public Health Service.

Devereaux is director of the Division of Occupational Therapy in Marshall's Department of Psychiatry. She has been nationally recognized for her work in the field by the American Occupational Therapy Association, the National Association of Activity Therapy and Rehabilitation Program Directors, and the American Medical Association's Committee on Allied Health Education and Accreditation.

Samuel Clemens, known to readers everywhere as Mark Twain, in the year 1907 when Clemens turned 70 and gave his famous essay speech titled "Seventieth Birthday."

Also appearing in the production will be a Dixieland band playing the music popular in the South at the turn of the century.

Band leader Jay Flippin, a Kentucky musician, will explain the history of Dixieland and its roots in American culture.

All Ta Fantastika tickets and reservations will be honored for "An American Original." Admission for adults will be \$6.

Celeste Winters Nunley, Artists Series director, said she will try to schedule Ta Fantastika next year.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall Artists Series Office, 696-6656.

Workshop to focus on successful strategies

A seminar titled "How to Motivate and Influence: Strategies for Success" will be sponsored by Marshall University's Community College and Professional Secretaries International on Tuesday, Oct. 30, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the University Holiday Inn, 1415 Fourth Ave.

"Executives, managers, supervisors, secretaries and other office professionals who desire to assess and improve their motivational and communication skills, deal with conflicts and confrontations and work more effectively with difficult people should benefit from the program," said Robert L. Lawson, director of Marshall's Office of Continuing Education.

Participants will learn how to motivate and influence people, how to deal with conflicts and confrontations, how to "come across" in meetings and presentations, how to handle tough people and tough situations, how to understand non-verbal signals and how to build trust and confidence with other people.

Evelyn K. Rice, president of Rice and Associates in Greensboro, N.C., will be the instructor for the seminar. Ms. Rice has made similar presentations throughout the east for educational organizations and industries such as IBM, Dupont and U.S. Sprint.

There will be a \$98 registration fee which includes seminar materials and lunch. To register or obtain further details contact Marshall University's Office of Continuing Education, 696-3011.

Lunchbag seminar set

The Marshall University Women's Center will sponsor a lunchbag seminar titled "The Role of African-American Women in Today's Society" on Wednesday, Oct. 31, from noon to 1 p.m. in Prichard Hall Room 143.

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

Marshall faculty/staff achievements

Dr. DOROTHY E. HICKS, professor in Marshall's Division of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, attended the West Virginia Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance meeting held Sept. 27-29 at the Radisson Hotel in Huntington. She served on the On-Site Committee and was a presider during the meeting. She also was honored by the association and presented the association's highest award, the Ray O. Duncan Award, for her work and service to the organization and the profession. Dr. HICKS also was selected as one of 16 faculty athletic representatives to participate in an NCAA Round Table discussion on the Role of the FAR in the area of institutional compliance. The discussion was held Oct. 9 in Kansas City.

PAMELA FORD, catalog librarian, was elected first vice president/president elect of the West Virginia Library Association during its annual conference held Oct. 11-13 in Charleston. During the conference, she moderated a session for VTLS catalogers and served as chairwoman of the Meals and Beverages Committee. FORD and TRISH DEL NERO, reference librarian, co-chaired a new Continuing Education/Staff Development Committee which had a mission to set up a scholarship fund for

Parkersburg student gets Curry scholarship

Scott D. Mathers of Washington, W.Va., a senior accounting major at Marshall University, has been selected as the recipient of this year's Cynthia Lynn Curry Memorial Scholarship at Marshall.

Dr. Robert P. Alexander, dean of the MU College of Business, said the scholarship was established by Mr. and Mrs. Earl Curry and family of Parkersburg in memory of their daughter, a 1984 Marshall graduate, who died shortly after graduation when she was struck by a car in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

The scholarship was presented to Mathers on the basis of his outstanding academic record and leadership qualities. He will use the scholarship to pay a portion of his educational expenses.

A graduate of Parkersburg South High School, Mathers is a member of the Marshall University Judicial Board, Accounting Club and a student member of the West Virginia Society of Certified Public Accountants.

The Cynthia Lynn Curry Memorial Scholarship is annually presented to a Parkersburg area student enrolled in Marshall University's College of Business.

Vending winner announced

The vending machine prize winner for October was Katherine Martin, a sophomore from Huntington, according to Karen E. Kirtley of Marshall's Auxiliary Services Office.

She received an AM/FM radio-cassette player.

WVLA members working on master's degrees in library science. FORD presented the awards at the general business meeting. Also attending the programs were: HELEN JENKINS, DAGMAR WEILL, SARA STAATS, TIM BALCH, BAHYYIH FAREYDOON-NEZHAD, RON TITUS, MERRY BROWN, MARTIN FAIGEL, KATHLEEN BLEDSOE and JOSEPHINE FIDLER.

JOSEPHINE FIDLER, director of libraries, and KENNETH T. SLACK, Confederate bibliographer, were delegates to the third Governor's Conference on Libraries held Oct. 11-13 in Charleston. Resolutions were adopted to be presented at the 1991 White House Conference on Library and Information Services.

Dr. CRAIG MONROE, professor of speech, has had an article titled "'Conflict Behaviors of Difficult Subordinates: Interactive Effects of Gender'" published in the November issue of *The Southern Communication Journal* (Vol. 56, pp. 12-23).

Dr. MACK H. GILLENWATER, professor of geography, was invited to review two books for the fall 1990 issue of the *Appalachian Journal*, a publication of Appalachian State University. GILLENWATER, who has been involved in coal-mining tourism research and historic preservation in southern West Virginia, provided reviews on "Little Cities of Black Diamonds: Urban Development in the Hocking Coal Region, 1870-1900" by Ivan M. Tribe and "Sprinkled with Coal Dust: Life and Work in the Hocking Coal Region, 1870-1900," also by Tribe.

Symphony will perform

Marshall University's Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Michael McArtor, will open its season with a concert on Tuesday, Oct. 30, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

The program will include "The Montagues and Capulets" from "Romeo and Juliet" by Prokofiev, "Concerto Grosso Op. 6, No. 1" by Handel, "Suite No. 1" by Stravinsky and Schubert's "Overture and Ballet Music" from "Rosamunde."

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

Paul to direct seminar

A seminar titled "Implementing Critical Thinking Strategies in the Classroom" will be held at Marshall University on Wednesday, Oct. 31, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., according to Dr. Rainey Duke, acting associate provost.

The seminar, featuring Dr. Richard Paul, director of the Center for Critical Thinking and Moral Critique at Sonoma State University, has been filled.

Dr. Duke said persons interested in attending the program can be placed on a waiting list by calling the Provost's Office, 696-5442.