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Artists Series study committee is named

Dr. E. David DuBois, pastor of Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church, has accepted an appointment to serve as chairman of a committee to study the future of Marshall University Artists Series, Marshall President Robert B. Hayes announced this week.

Also named to the committee were students Donna Norton and Allen Whitesides; Mrs Richard K. VanZandt and John E. Jenkins, Jr., representing the community; Dr. David C. Duke and Mrs. Robert V. Shepherd of the Marshall faculty, and Kenneth E. Blue of the university's Student Affairs division.

Marshall to host physics teachers meet

More than 50 physicists from universities, colleges and high schools from West Virginia, Ohio and Maryland will attend the 1977 meeting of the Appalachian Section of the American Association of Physics Teachers this weekend, Nov. 4-5, at Marshall University.

Dr. Thomas J. Manakkil, MU associate professor of physics, is program chairman and Marshall University is host for the event.

Numerous activities are planned and all members of the physics teaching community, their guests and students are invited to attend.

Dr. Noel J. Richards, vice president for academic affairs at Marshall, will present the welcoming address Saturday at 9:30 a.m. in the Science Hall Auditorium.

Activity began today at 2 p.m. with a presentation of digital electronics and microprocessor systems featuring demonstrations and programs on working models of microcomputing units on the first floor of the Science Hall under the direction of C.N. Cochran of the MU Department of Computer Science, Dr. Manakkil and Dr. A.R. Lepley, MU professor of chemistry.

Lepley will present a seminar program on "Evaluating Microprocessor Systems" Friday at 7 p.m. in Science Hall Room 101.

The computer portion of the program is co-sponsored by Marshall, the American Association of Physics Teachers and the Central Ohio Valley Computer Union.

At least five major national computer manufacturing companies will have working models on display, Lepley said.

Beginning at 8:30 p.m. Friday, Dr. Ralph E. Oberly, chairman of the Marshall Physics Department, will discuss "Application of Lasers in Scientific Problems."

Weather permitting, the remainder of Friday evening will be spent viewing the sky through the new 14-inch telescope in the Donald C. Martin Observatory at the Huntington Galleries.

Anyone interested may attend the sessions.

Saturday's program will begin with registration and a coffee hour at 9 a.m. in Room 100 of the Science Hall.

Following the welcome address by Dr. Richards, papers from scientists from Marshall, Ohio State University, Ohio University, Frostburg State College, West Virginia University and West Virginia State College will be presented.

In a letter to members of the Artists Series Board of Trustees, Hayes said the Artists Series has serious problems and that he has asked the committee to make a comprehensive study and present recommendations to the Board of Trustees.

He noted in his letter that James A. Martin, Artist Series coordinator, had submitted his resignation and that it had been accepted.

"The first problem I was handed when I became interim president of Marshall in July, 1974, concerned the Artists Series," Hayes said in the letter. "The original problem has not been solved and I have had to deal with it on a regular basis since 1974. It is my opinion that unless we are able to make some major changes in the Series it will be a lost cause before long. I do not want this to happen and I do not believe that it is inevitable. However, to save the Series will require a sound plan and improved promotion."

Hayes said the committee will be asked to include in its studies: (1) relationship of the university/town communities, (2) structure and role of the board, (3) programming, (4) finances, (5) audience development, (6) facilities, (7) staffing.

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draws record entry

Thirty-nine teams from seven states, the largest turnout in its history, are expected for the John Marshall Debate Forum hosted by the Marshall University Speech Department today and Saturday.

Approximately 100 people from West Virginia, Kentucky, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Maryland and Alabama will participate in the two-day tournament, according to Dr. John Bliese, assistant professor of speech and event coordinator.

West Virginia schools sending teams include: Alderson-Broadus, Fairmont State, Shepherd and West Virginia Wesleyan colleges, and West Virginia and Marshall universities.

Others competing include: University of South Alabama; George Mason and James Madison universities of Virginia; Eastern Kentucky State and Morehead State universities of Kentucky; Towson State College of Maryland; Clarion State, Washington and Jefferson and Westminster colleges of Pennsylvania, and the University of Akron, Capital University and Marietta College of Ohio.

Competition rounds for both junior and senior division teams began at 2 p.m. today and will continue throughout the evening. Saturday's rounds begin at 9 a.m. and the final round is scheduled for 4:30 p.m.

United Way pledges

United Way pledges may be returned to your division leader or sent to Neal Adkins, associate professor of accounting and MU drive chairman, through the campus mail.

Committee to begin work immediately

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Hayes said the committee is expected to begin its work immediately since planning requirements for the 1978-79 season limit the amount of time available for completion of the study.

"We have received comments and criticism concerning what

MU orchestra to present concerts

The Marshall University Community Orchestra, conducted by Dr. Paul W. Whear, MU professor of music, will present three concerts during the week of Nov. 6-12, including two Young People's concerts.

At 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 9, the Community Orchestra will present a free concert for the general public in Smith Recital Hall.

The program will feature "Iphegenia in Aulis Overture" by von Gluck, the "Peer Gynt Suite" by Grieg and "Symphony No. 2 in B minor" by Borodin.

Sponsored by Marshall and the Cabell County Board of Education in cooperation with the Woman's Club of Huntington, the Young People's Concerts will be given in Smith Recital Hall at 10 a.m. both Wednesday, Nov. 9 and Thursday, Nov. 10. They are designed for students in the county school system.

NEWCOMERS

New to campus are:

LINDA S. GRIFFITH, educational media technician, College of Education; VICKIE SCITES, clerk II, Alumni Affairs; VI R. NISSEN, admissions records office, College of Arts and Sciences; LINDA F. MERRITT, secretary, Development Office.

Welcome to Marshall!

Theater tickets on sale

Marshall University Theater will present Robert Bolt's historical drama "Vivat! Vivat Regina!" Wednesday through Saturday, Nov. 9-12 at 8 p.m. in Old Main Auditorium.

The play depicts the struggle between Mary Stuart-Mary, Queen of Scots-and her cousin, Queen Elizabeth I, for the throne of England, according to Dr. Elaine A. Novak, MU professor and production director.

Tickets are on sale in Old Main Room 107 from noon to 4 p.m. weekdays and will be available at the door before performances. Reservations may be made by calling 696-2306 during box office hours. All seats are reserved and cost \$2.

Excused absences...

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

OCT. 21-Cross Country team members.

NOV. 3-Mark Morgan, Tony Dingess, Keith Carper, Mark Adkins, Jeffery King, Rebecca Adams, David Waybright, Tim Cooke, Larry Miller, Carol Smith, Tim Nolan, Jeffrey Rader, David Ash and Bob Blosser.

NOV. 7-Stephen Hopkins, Aletha Helm, Abbie Johnson, Sahnra Tweel, Carolyn Black, Kathy Kibbee, Terry McNeer, Jennifer Oldaker, Jeanette Oldaker, Jeffrey Myers, Ruia Wagner, Craig Snyder, Kent Wellman, Susan Sanders, Dawn Carney, Jeffrey Smith, Rick Woods, Donna Finch and Allen Whitesides.

has happened, with suggestions that the action taken indicates a lack of university support for the Series," Hayes noted in the letter. "Just the opposite is the case and the action taken, I hope, will permit us to save and bring new vitality to an important facet of the life of our community. I have found that problems ignored seldom go away and often they become enlarged and more difficult, if not impossible, to solve. We in this community have ignored the Artists Series problems too long and it is time to do our best to solve them."

In an Oct. 28 meeting with members of the Board of Trustees, Hayes expressed concern not only with the Series' financial situation, but with the decline of interest in the program within the general community and among students in the past several years.

The Baxter Series, the element of the program designed primarily for community participation, at one point had a season membership of nearly 2,000. It attracted just over 1,000 season membership sales for the 1976-77 season following a late, intensive campaign to sell memberships. As of last Friday, the figure for this season's programs stood at 692.

"The prognosis is evident," Hayes said. "If the trend continues, there will be a breakdown in the near future. We're going to have to plan and to work, and work hard, to keep that from happening," he added.

Membership of the study committee is made up of representatives of all the components of the Artists Series Board, plus Mr. Blue from the MU Student Affairs area.

MCIE to meet Tuesday

The Marshall Council for International Education (MCIE) will meet Tuesday, Nov. 8, at 3 p.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2W37.

The program will include a discussion of his study abroad program by Dr. Elmer Adkins, associate professor of criminal justice; the modern language house project by William Kingsbury, assistant professor of modern languages; international student programs by Judith Miller, and the formation of a faculty advisory committee for foreign students by Carolyn Hunter, MU Community College reading program coordinator.

Also there will be an election of committee chairpersons and of an executive member-at-large.

Flutist to conduct class

Bernard Goldberg, principal flutist with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, will conduct a flute master class at Marshall University from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, in Smith Music Hall.

The class is open to all interested Tri-State Area music students and teachers. Goldberg will discuss basic playing concepts and advanced techniques. There will be a 50-cent registration fee.

More faculty and staff achievements....

DR. CAROLYN KARR, associate professor of social studies, and DR. DONNA SPINDEL, assistant professor of history, attended the 1977 Chicago Area Women's History Conference held in Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 21-23.

CHARLES F. GRUBER, assistant professor of social studies, and DR. CLAIR W. MATZ, associate professor of political science, are attending the 7th National Meeting of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA) in Houston, Texas, Nov. 2-5. Professor Gruber is chairing a panel on "Teaching About Blacks in America," while Dr. Matz is chairing a panel on "The Politics of Private Investment in Latin America." LASA is meeting jointly this year with the African Studies Association.

MRS. PATRICIA SHAFER, management instructor, working in conjunction with the Small Business Administration, was coordinator for a workshop for women seeking to establish their own businesses, held at Marshall on Oct. 19. DR. SARA ANDERSON, acting dean of the College of Business and Applied Science, welcomed those attending the workshop.

DR. ROBERT P. ALEXANDER, professor of management and departmental chairman, conducted three workshops on "Time Management" for the Federal Women's Program on Oct. 20 at the Huntington Civic Center. He also conducted a workshop on "Managed Meetings" for the Philadelphia Regional Conference of Appalachian Federally Employed Women on Oct. 22 at the Downtown Holiday Inn.

Six members of Marshall's Speech Department are attending the annual convention of the American Speech and Hearing Association, held in Chicago Nov. 2-5. They are: DR. ROBERT OLSON, professor and director of the Speech and Hearing Center; DR. RUTH GARRETT, professor; DR. CHARLES WOODFORD, associate professor; BARBARA HARROD and KATHRYN CHEZIK, assistant professors, and SUSAN SULLIVAN, instructor. Dr. Olson is one of two delegates from West Virginia serving on ASHA's legislative council.

Several members of the English Department attended the annual fall conference of the West Virginia Association of College English Teachers held at Jackson's Mill Oct. 28-29. They included: DR. WILLIAM P. SULLIVAN AND DR. ROBERT S. GERKE, professors; DR. PHILLIP McM. PITTMAN, DR. WARREN W. WOODEN and DR. WILLIAM C. RAMSEY, associate professors, and DIANA WALDRON, assistant professor. Dr. Pittman is president of the association and Dr. Wooden is editor of its journals, "The Bulletin of the WVACET."

Members of the Counseling and Rehabilitation Department attending a workshop on "Group Therapy: Tasks and Techniques" in Charleston on Oct. 29 were DR. ROBERT DINGMAN, associate professor, DR. VIOLET EASH, assistant professor, and DR. WILLIAM WALLACE, professor. The workshop, conducted by Dr. Irvin D. Yalom, professor of psychiatry at the Stanford University School of Medicine, was sponsored by the Behavioral Medicine and Psychiatry Department of the Charleston Division, West Virginia University School of Medicine.

DR. DAVID CUSICK, assistant professor of mathematics, gave a seminar at Stonewall Jackson High School in Charleston on Oct. 26. The seminar was entitled "Teaching Your Pocket Calculator Some New Tricks."

DR. JOHN HOGAN, professor of mathematics, spoke on "Probability and Matrices" at Winfield High School on Oct. 27.

DR. DERYL LEAMING, professor of journalism and departmental chairman, is the recipient of Fort Hays Kansas State University's 1977 Alumni Achievement Award, the school's highest recognition of its graduates. The award, established in 1959, honors graduates who have made "outstanding and unselfish" contributions in their chosen fields.

DR. JABBIR A. ABBAS, associate professor of political science, attended the 10th annual convention of Arab-American Universities Graduates, held Oct. 21-23 in Detroit. He participated in a panel on "Political Organization and Mass Movements" and presented a paper entitled "Toward a Meaningful Participation of Egyptian Peasants in their Cooperatives for a Better Living." The conference theme was "Issues of the Seventies in the Arab World." Attending the session were academicians and researchers from Canada, England, France, Egypt, Syria, Iraq, Kuwait, Libya and the United States. Also present were cabinet members from Libya and Iraq.

Tickets at half price

All full-time Marshall University employees may purchase season basketball tickets for themselves or for members of their immediate family for \$24 each, half the regular cost. For tickets or additional information call the Athletic Ticket Office, 3190.

Officers elected by faculty women's group

Coral R. Snodgrass, instructor in finance and business law, was elected president of the Faculty Women's Association at the group's Oct. 25 meeting.

Other officers of the association are Dr. Carol Klecka, assistant professor of psychology, president-elect, and Dr. Donna Spindel, assistant professor of history, secretary-treasurer.