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Memorial service to be held Nov. 14

Marshall University will hold a special memorial service on Wednesday, Nov. 14, at 7 p.m. on the Memorial Student Center Plaza to mark the 20th anniversary of the 1970 airplane crash which took place near Tri-State Airport.

Seventy-five Marshall football players, coaches, administrators, students, friends from the community and flight crew members lost their lives in the crash.

"It was a tragedy that touched the lives of many people," said Dr. Nell C. Bailey, vice president for student affairs at Marshall and a member of the memorial service steering committee. "It is something that people in this area will never forget. Many people's lives were directly affected and many other people were indirectly affected. This was one of those events that happen in a person's lifetime that always will be remembered.

"Its one of those dates that are etched in our memories... Dec. 7, 1941; Nov. 22, 1963; July 20, 1969... Nov. 14, 1970."

The ceremony will begin with the presentation of the colors by cadets from Marshall's Military Science Department.

Parker Ward, a local businessman whose father was killed in the crash, will introduce several guest speakers whose lives were affected by the crash.

Guest speakers will include Jack Lengyel, athletic director at the United States Naval Academy, who coached Marshall's first football team after the crash; Ed Starling, who came to MU in 1969 as an assistant basketball coach and was named acting athletic director after the crash and recently retired as associate athletic director, and Courtney Proctor Cross, a Marshall graduate whose parents died in the crash.

Music will be provided by the Marshall University Brass Quintet, Chamber Choir and Mass Choir.

Rev. Bob Bondurant, Presbyterian campus minister, will give a prayer of the people.

A wreath will be placed at the foot of Memorial Fountain by Derek Grier, a co-captain of the 1990 football team, and Tom Hayden, student body president.

Memorial Fountain, created by the late internationally-known sculptor Harry Bertoia, then will be symbolically turned off for the winter. Bertoia described the fountain, dedicated to those who died in the crash, as conveying

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Zill gets grant to expand research study

Dr. Sasha Zill of the Marshall University School of Medicine has received a two-year, \$61,771 grant from the Whitehall Foundation to study how animals keep their balance even when they are in an unstable environment.

The project is an extension of previous work, also funded by Whitehall, in which Zill studied how the brain responds to messages from sensory receptors in the joints.

Zill and his collaborator, laboratory assistant Faith Frazier, now will try to learn how the nervous system's "circuitry" processes information from various sense organs so that the body responds appropriately to changes in the environment.

"If you are standing on a moving bus, your body must be able to adjust your posture as the bus changes position," he explained. "For most people this is no problem, but there are certain brain diseases which affect people's ability to stand and maintain a standing position. We hope to develop a model system for understanding how animals -- including humans -- maintain their balance."

Zill's research application, which competed with more than 100 others, was one of only 11 projects funded this year by the Whitehall Foundation.

Agenda set for meeting

The Marshall University Faculty Senate will meet Thursday, Nov. 15, at 4 p.m. in the lounge on the eighth floor of Smith Hall.

The agenda includes: 1. Approval of minutes; 2. Announcements--presidential action on Senate recommendations of 10/25/90, Executive Committee action; 3. University calendar report;

4. Standing committee recommendations--SR-90-91-(23)176 (ASCR)--Course additions and deletions--economics; SR-90-91-(24)177 (ASCR)--Course deletions--biological sciences; SR-90-91-(25)178 (ASCR)--change in catalog concerning military duty; SR-90-91-(26) 179 (UCC)--University calendar 1991-92; SR-90-91-(27) 180 (SGA)--"Dead Week" of class exams immediately before final exams; SR-90-91-(28) 181 (GR)--Catalog description--Master of Science in Nursing--Family Nurse Practitioner; SR-90-91-(29) 182 (GR)--Change in course titles--Communication Disorders; SR-90-91-(30) 183 (GR)--Change in number of credit hours--MTH 427/527 and MTH 428/528;

5. Advisory Council of Faculty report; 6. Agenda requests for future meetings; 7. Resource Allocation Model--Marshall's status--question and answer session with Interim President Alan B. Gould.

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"the living, rather than commemorating Death itself, in the waters of life, rising, renewing, reaching to express upward growth, immortality and eternity."

Taps will signal the end of the ceremony, which will be followed by a reception in Memorial Student Center. Philip E. Cline, president of The Marshall University Foundation, Lengyel and Joe Feaganes, assistant athletic director, will make special announcements during the reception.

"We are expecting a large crowd for this 20th anniversary memorial service," said Dr. Bailey. "Many of the victims' relatives from all over and many local residents have expressed interest in the ceremony this year. We hold a service every year, but this one seems a little more special."

Members of the memorial service steering committee are: Dr. Bailey; Parker Ward; Keith Morehouse, a WOWK-TV reporter whose father was killed in the crash; Nate Ruffin, personnel director for the Huntington Herald-Dispatch, who was a member of the 1970 football team; Dr. Ed Miller, director of financial aid at Marshall; Dr. Don Robertson, associate dean for student affairs; Dr. Carolyn Hunter, assistant vice president for institutional advancement, and Myra Crockett, student representative.

The service is being sponsored by Marshall's Student Government Association.

SCORES lunch slated

Marshall University's SCORES (Search Committee on Recruiting Excellent Students) Department will hold its annual recognition luncheon on Friday, Nov. 9, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the W. Don Morris Room in Memorial Student Center, according to Dr. Ralph Taylor, director of the program.

The SCORES program is designed to interest talented high school students in pursuing higher education at Marshall.

Taylor said the recognition luncheon is a way to help kickoff the 1991 Academic Festival, which will be held March 16, and thank high school principals, counselors, teachers and advisers for the work and preparation they put forth in registering students and presenting the academic contests for the annual competition. More than 200 principals and counselors have been invited to attend the luncheon.

The Academic Festival attracts approximately 4,000 juniors and seniors from more than 200 high schools in West Virginia, Kentucky and Ohio.

Taylor said the festival is a spirited academic competition where students vie for top honors in various contests designed to test their knowledge.

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

Lawson to be honored

There will be a reception to honor Robert L. Lawson, director of continuing education at Marshall University's Community College, on Monday, Nov. 12, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the Spotts Dining Room in Memorial Student Center.

Lawson recently resigned to accept the position of director of the Office of Continuing Education at Shawnee State University, Portsmouth, Ohio.

A member of the Community College staff since 1976, Lawson has served the university in a number of capacities including teacher, administrative assistant, affirmative action officer and president of the Black Administrators, Faculty and Staff Organization.

Noted psychologist to speak

Dr. Na'im Akbar, a research assistant in clinical psychology at Florida State University, will be the keynote speaker for Marshall University's observance of Black Awareness Week on Sunday, Nov. 11, at 5 p.m. in the W. Don Morris Room in Memorial Student Center.

Maurice A. "Tony" Davis, coordinator of minority students' programs at Marshall, said Akbar has been described as one of the world's pre-eminent African-American psychologists and a pioneer in the development of an African-centered approach to modern psychology.

To obtain further details about Black Awareness Week contact the MU Minority Students' Programs Office, 696-6705.

Security will be teleconference topic

A teleconference on effective approaches to campus security titled "Enhancing Campus Community" will be presented at Marshall University on Thursday, Nov. 15, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Shawkey Room in Memorial Student Center.

The teleconference will provide an opportunity for campus and off-campus community members to consider the critical roles that faculty, staff and students can play in facilitating the necessary changes that will foster a secure environment for all members of the community, according to Dr. Nell C. Bailey, vice president for student affairs at Marshall.

Presenters will include Dr. Jim Caswell of Southern Methodist University, Dr. Karen T. Rigg of Northeastern University, Dr. John B. Slaughter of Occidental College and Joseph G. Wehner of Ball State University.

The program is being sponsored by Marshall's offices of Multicultural Affairs, Student Affairs and Public Safety/Security.

DeEulis joins full-time medical staff

Dr. Timothy DeEulis, the state's only physician board-certified in treating gynecologic cancer, has joined the full-time faculty of the Marshall University School of Medicine.

DeEulis had become a part-time faculty member at Marshall earlier this year.

Dr. Berel Held, chairman of obstetrics and gynecology,

said DeEulis provides management for all phases of gynecologic cancer treatment, including surgical therapy, chemotherapy and the medical complications that arise from the disease and its treatment.

"Dr. DeEulis really brings a unique talent to the state and the school," said Held. "He is a superbly trained physician who has already had an impact on health care for the citizens in our community and region. He's also an outstanding teacher."

DeEulis received his M.D. degree from West Virginia University and did his fellowship in gynecologic oncology at the Roswell Park Memorial Institute in Buffalo, N.Y. He previously served on the faculties of the University of Cincinnati, the University of Pennsylvania and Hahnemann University.

Chakrabarty & former MU staff member die

Dr. M.R. Chakrabarty, 57, professor of chemistry, died Monday, Oct. 29.

A member of the Marshall faculty since 1963, Chakrabarty was born in India and came to the United States in 1957. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Calcutta University and his doctoral degree from Toronto University.

He was the author of numerous scientific papers and served as a consultant for NASA and the Lawrence Livermore Laboratories on several occasions.

Chakrabarty did research for five months in 1970 at the University of Copenhagen's H.C. Orsted Institute of Research and was honored twice by the Danish Royal Academy of Science.

He was involved in various professional and community organizations and the Unitarian Fellowship.

Surviving are two sons, Shaun of Huntington and Neil of Morgantown; one sister, Preet Bagchi of New York; three brothers and three sisters in India.

Cecil J. Ferguson

Cecil J. Ferguson, 85, the first manager of Marshall's Shawkey Student Union, died Friday, Nov. 2, at St. Mary's Hospital.

A member of the Marshall Class of '31, Ferguson became manager of the new Shawkey Student Union after its dedication in 1933 and served in that capacity until 1945. Shawkey Student Union was replaced by Memorial Student Center in 1971.

A resident of 638 South Terrace, Huntington, Ferguson was associated with the real estate business for 42 years and retired as owner of Roach-Ferguson Realty Co.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, Nov. 4.

Lunchbag seminar set

The Marshall University Women's Center will sponsor a lunchbag seminar titled "Sexual Politics: Gender and Education in Appalachia" on Wednesday, Nov. 14, from noon to 1 p.m. in Prichard Hall Room 143.

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

ODK ceremony planned

The Tapping Ceremony for the 1990-91 pledge class of Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society will be held Monday, Nov. 12, at 3:30 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge, according to Dr. Don Robertson, associate dean of student affairs.

Twenty-two student leaders and five faculty members and administrators will be presented for membership.

Faculty members and administrators to be inducted are: Dr. Margaret A. Bird, Maurice A. "Tony" Davis, Dr. William Denman, Stephen Hensley and Dr. Simon Perry.

All faculty members and administrators are invited to attend the ceremony.

Faculty wives to meet

The Marshall University Faculty Wives Club will meet Saturday, Nov. 17, at noon in the Fellowship Room of the St. Luke United Methodist Church for a salad luncheon, according to Jean Douglass.

The program will be "Dolls of Our Childhood" by Ruth Saunders. Katy Hayes and Jean Modlin will be the hostesses for the meeting.

Members should take a salad or vegetable dish and also, if possible, a favorite doll.

Duo-piano recital set

Joan Adkins, professor of English, and James Taggart, professor of music, will present a duo-piano recital on Thursday, Nov. 15, at 3:30 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

The program, "Eine Kleine Nachtmusik II," will be the second in a series planned by the duo.

It will feature works by J.S. Bach, Rachmaninoff, Schumann, Debussy and others. A special feature will be the two-piano "Fantasy on George Gershwin's 'Porgy and Bess'" by Percy Grainger.

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

Marshall faculty/staff achievements

Dr. JAGAN V. VALLURI, assistant professor of biology, was the principal author of two recently published papers. "Comparison of photomixotrophic and heterotrophic callus and suspension cultures of *Pinus elliottii*. II. Water stress-induced changes in callus volume and protein profiles" was published in *Plant Physiology and Biochemistry* (28-1, 57-64, 1990). "Callose formation during wound-inoculated reaction of *Pinus elliottii* to *Fusarium Subglutinans*" was published in *Phytochemistry* (29-1, 71-72, 1990).

DEAN A. ADKINS, professor of biological sciences, conducted a session on "Common Arthropods of West

'Study Abroad' program will be broadcast live

Dr. Clair W. Matz, director of Marshall University's Center for International Studies, and Sharon Davis, a Marshall student who studied in France last summer, will participate in a statewide teleconference focusing on study abroad on Wednesday, Nov. 14, from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

The purpose of the program, which will link 20 colleges and universities in West Virginia, is to inform students about study abroad opportunities and the virtues of foreign study as part of a well-rounded undergraduate education, according to Matz.

Although most of the program will originate from the campus of West Virginia University, Matz and Ms. Davis will participate from the television studios in the Marshall Communications Building.

The teleconference will include one hour of presentations and 30 minutes of interactive questions and answers with viewers.

Interested persons may watch the teleconference from Marshall's Communications Building as part of the live audience. Reservations will be required.

To make reservations or obtain further details contact the Marshall University Center for International Studies, 696-2465.

The program is being sponsored by the West Virginia FACDIS (Faculty and Course Development in International Studies) International Studies Consortium.

Staff waivers available

Applications for tuition waivers and financial assistance for classified staff members for the 1991 spring semester are available in the following offices:

Admissions Office, Old Main Room 125; Doctor's Memorial Building Room 505 (Libby Nickell); Medical Education Building Room 128 (Panda Benford), and the Graduate School Office, Old Main Room 113.

Applications must be returned to Ruby Steffin, chairwoman of the Educational Benefits Committee, Old Main Room 113, by Nov. 16.

Virginia, Excluding Insects" for the Huntington Museum of Arts Docents on Oct. 22.

ROBERT S. KRIEBEL, assistant professor of business education, recently served as a delegate from the United States chapter of the International Society for Business Education (Societe Internationale pour l'Enseignement Commerical) to the organization's international conference in Barcelona, Spain. He represented the 10 states in the southern region. The fundamental purpose of the organization is to form a bridge between business education and the world of business on an international basis. The conference in Barcelona focused on Spain and the Spanish economy, although presentations were given by representatives from other nations.

Dr. BARBARA BECKER, director of the Autism Training Center, was the invited speaker at the fall conference of the West Virginia Society for Autistic Children held recently in Bridgeport. Her presentation was titled "Increasing Verbal Behavior with Persons with Autism in the Natural Environment." BECKER and DEBORAH C. MEREDITH and KATHLEEN COOK TURNER, educational specialists for the Autism Training Center, attended the Southeastern Association for Behavior Analysis conference held Oct. 18-20 in Wilmington, N.C. BECKER presented a poster titled "Some Applications for the use of a New Unit of Measurement for Reciprocal Verbal Behavior: The Conversational Unit," which she co-authored with R. Douglas Greer of Columbia University's Teachers College.

Employee appraisals to be discussed at teleconference

A teleconference titled "Performance Appraisals That Work" will be held at Marshall University on Wednesday, Nov. 14, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in Memorial Student Center.

The program will explain how to conduct the appraisal process to enhance employee performance and foster productive relationships, according to Robert L. Lawson, director of continuing education at Marshall University's Community College. It also will focus on the attitude, planning and approach needed to conduct dynamic and positive appraisal discussions.

Course objectives include establishing a work climate conducive to productive performance appraisals, initiating and maintaining positive communication about work performance versus work expectation, preparing and conducting performance discussions that encourage an exchange of information and produce better results and helping employees prepare for performance appraisals.

Robert B. Maddux, senior vice president and director of professional services at Right Associates, a management consultant firm, will be the instructor for the program.

There will be a \$35 registration fee for the teleconference and workshop materials.

To register or obtain further details contact the Marshall University Office of Continuing Education, 696-3113.