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## Baltaro wins prize for pathology research

Dr. Richard J. Baltaro of the Marshall University School of Medicine has won the 1990 Pathology Resident Award competition sponsored by the American Society of Clinical Pathologists (ASCP) and the College of American Pathologists (CAP).

The award and a \$500 prize were presented at the ASCP/CAP joint meeting held in Dallas October 20-26.

Dr. Baltaro won first prize in clinical pathology for a paper on a new test he helped develop and put into clinical use. The test, which aids in the diagnosis of vascular diseases, determines whether auto-antibodies are present in the blood. These are antibodies produced in certain diseases against one's own white cells. Baltaro's paper is based on research he conducted at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) where he was a senior staff fellow in the clinical pathology department from July 1988 to July 1990.

He joined the MU School of Medicine as assistant professor of pathology in August and plans to continue his research project here in collaboration with the NIH.

His previous positions included Clinical Pathology Fellow, George Washington University Hospital (1987-88); pathology resident, Brown University (1983-87); and emergency assistant medical examiner, State of Rhode

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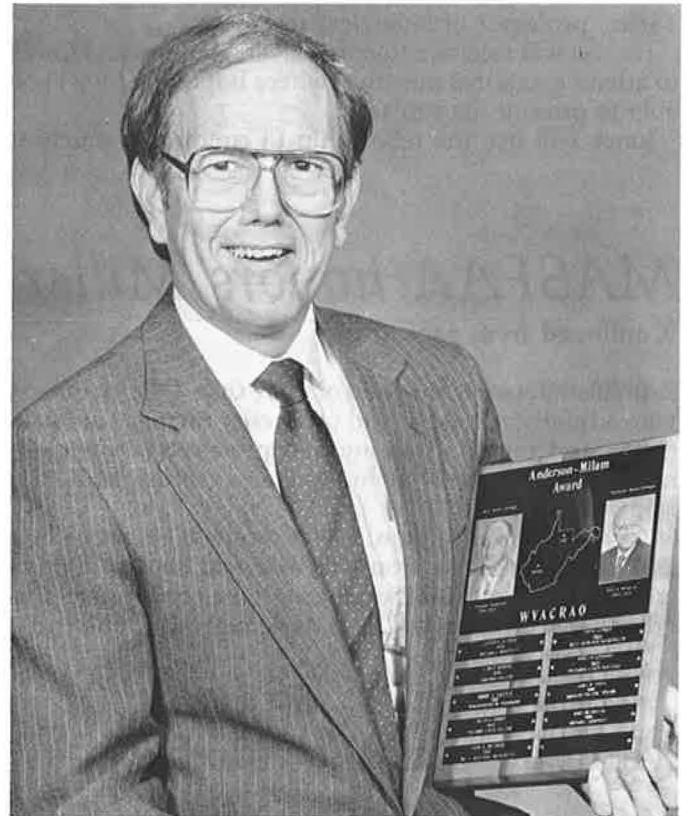
## MASFAA honors Miller

Dr. Edgar W. Miller, director of financial aid at Marshall University, has received the Presidential Award from the Midwest Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, according to Dr. Nell C. Bailey, vice president for student affairs at Marshall.

The award is annually presented to a MASFAA member who has exhibited exemplary leadership and service to the student financial aid profession. It was presented to Miller at the organization's annual meeting held recently in Cincinnati.

A member of the Marshall University staff since 1981, Miller has served MASFAA as an elected delegate, Executive Council member and chairman of the Professional Development Committee. Miller also originated the idea for the MASFAA symposium titled "Financial Aid in the 1990s: Preparing for the 21st Century" which featured nationally known speakers and focused on the future of American postsecondary education and the financial aid profession.

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Dr. James W. Harless with Anderson-Milam Award

## Harless receives award

Dr. James W. Harless, director of admissions at Marshall University, has been presented the Anderson-Milam Award by the West Virginia Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers, according to Patricia Gebhart, WVACRAO past president and chairwoman of the award selection committee.

The Anderson-Milam Award, the association's highest honor, was presented to Harless for his outstanding service to the organization and the collegiate admissions and records profession. The award was presented during the WVACRAO fall conference at Alpine Lake.

Ms. Gebhart said qualities such as humility, professionalism, dedication, comradery, fairness and unselfishness are considered when selecting award recipients.

The award serves as a memorial to J. Douglas Anderson who worked for many years at West Virginia State College and Otis H. Milam Jr. who served as registrar and director of admissions at Fairmont State College.

Harless joined the Marshall staff in 1967 as assistant director of admissions and was named director in 1971.

Prior to accepting a position at Marshall, he was a  
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# Student gets Smith-Goodno Fellowship

Tom Jones of Hurricane, a biological sciences graduate student at Marshall University, has been selected as the recipient of the university's sixth Lemotto Smith-John Goodno Fellowship in Biological Sciences.

The fellowship provides a stipend of \$3,500 per year for two years to a Marshall student to conduct aquatic and environmental research, according to Dr. Donald C. Tarter, professor of biological sciences.

He also will receive a tuition waiver, supplies and funds to attend a national meeting, where hopefully he will be able to present his research.

Jones will use the fellowship to conduct research at

Greenbottom Wildlife Management Area in Cabell County.

"The reason I'm interested in Greenbottom is that it is a very unique environment," said Jones. "We still have a lot to learn about the area. We pretty much know what is there, but we know very little about how the different organisms are interrelated. I hope to be able to significantly add to our body of knowledge about the area through my research."

Much of his research will involve analyses to determine what fish and insects at Greenbottom are feeding on in an effort to develop a better picture of the entire food web in the area.

"Tom's research at Greenbottom should prove to be very valuable," said Tarter. "Greenbottom is a unique area that could be threatened by future development or environmental changes, so it is important that we learn as much as possible about the area. Research projects like this will help answer many questions and provide needed information about the area."

The fellowship is the result of a friendship that developed between Smith and Goodno.

In 1927, Lemotto Smith, then a 48-year-old resident of Martin's Ferry, Ohio, bought Huntington's Liberty Theatre and renamed it the Palace. Shortly afterward, John A. Goodno, a young Marshall student, went to work at the theatre.

Goodno, who graduated from Marshall in 1928, managed the Palace Theatre for many years and got involved in various other ventures with Smith.

In recognition of their friendship, Smith made his first contribution of Van Dorn Co. stock to Marshall in 1971. A major stockholder in Van Dorn Co., Smith continued to make annual contributions until his death 12 years later.

The practice of assigning Van Dorn stock to The Marshall University Foundation has been continued by Goodno and his wife, Reba, who now reside in Bal Harbour, Fla.

The use of the endowment for environmental research was suggested by the Goodno's son, Edward, a former Marshall student who became interested in aquatic biology while studying with Tarter.

"We are very grateful these two fine families have supported Marshall University in this manner," said Tarter. "Their support allows us to conduct significant research that can have a profound impact on the quality of life throughout the Ohio Valley."

## MASFAA honors Miller

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Administrators is comprised of more than 1,000 members who administer college and university financial aid programs and provide training and professional development opportunities in nine states throughout the Midwest.

A native of Huntington, Miller received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Marshall and his doctorate in educational administration through the cooperative program between Marshall and West Virginia University.

## Minority grants available

Information on Johnson and Johnson Leadership awards for qualified minority students is available in the Marshall University Graduate School Office, Old Main Room 113.

The awards will provide room and board, tuition and books for two years of graduate business education at one of six participating schools, according to Dr. Leonard Deutsch, dean of the MU Graduate School.

## Harless receives award

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teacher and counselor at Man High School and served as director of the former Marshall University Logan Branch.

He received his bachelor's degree from Morris Harvey College (now the University of Charleston) and his master's degree from Marshall. He received his doctorate from Nova University, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Harless has been active in numerous professional and community organizations and is a member of the board of trustees of the American College Testing (ACT) Program.

## Baltaro wins prize

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Island, (1985-87).

Baltaro received a B.A. degree from Earlham College in Richmond, Ind., a Ph.D. from the University of Rome and an M.D. from Catholic University, both in Rome, Italy. He is board certified in anatomical and clinical pathology and in immunopathology.

# MU personnel elected to SVI offices

The Southwest Chapter of Software Valley Inc. has elected new officers for 1990-91, according to Dr. Robert F. Maddox, executive assistant to the president for research and economic development outreach at Marshall University, who was re-elected president of the organization.

Other officers of the Southwest Chapter of Software Valley are: Leo MacCourtney, vice president for community affairs at WOWK-TV, vice president; Richard C. Smoot, director of the Economic Development Administration Technical Assistance Program at Marshall University, secretary and parliamentarian; Howard Sutherland, director of community development for the Matewan National Bank, treasurer; Ken Warner of Strictly Business Computer Systems, at-large member; Tom Bell of SEP Inc., alternate at-large member, and Crista Christian, office manager for the Automation and Robotic Applications Center at Marshall, coordinator.

The mission of Software Valley is to stimulate economic development through the promotion of computer literacy, the development of a regional computer industry and the transfer of technology among educational, commercial and public sector interests.

## Ashland Oil Inc. gives grant to COB

Marshall University's College of Business has received a \$2,438 grant from Ashland Oil Inc., according to Dr. Robert P. Alexander, dean of the College of Business.

The grant will be used to assist the College of Business in the process required to gain accreditation from the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business.

"Ashland Oil has been one of the great supporters of all programs at Marshall University and, indeed, for all of education," said Alexander. "Ashland's role in education throughout the Tri-State region is well-known. We truly appreciate their efforts."

Alexander said an important phase of the accreditation process would have been difficult to fulfill if not for the grant from Ashland Oil Inc.

## Chandor on ASCP board

Dr. Stebbins B. Chandor of the Marshall University School of Medicine was recently elected to a three-year term on the board of directors of the American Society of Clinical Pathologists (ASCP).

Chandor, who is associate dean for clinical affairs and chairman of the pathology department at Marshall, was elected at ASCP's joint meeting with the College of American Pathologists October 20-26 in Dallas. ASCP and CAP are the leading national professional organizations in the pathology field.

Chandor has served ASCP in many capacities since joining in 1964. He is currently a deputy commissioner for continuing education, a director and faculty member for several professional workshops and a member of the Practice Parameters and Clinical Outcome Committee. Chandor has also been an active and long-time member of CAP. At present he is the state and deputy regional commissioner of CAP's laboratory inspection and accreditation program.

## Library schedule announced

Marshall University's James E. Morrow Library will be open from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Nov. 21.

It will be closed Nov. 22-24. The library's regular schedule will resume Nov. 25.

## Wellness Walk planned

A Senior Citizen Walk and Fitness Clinic will be held at Marshall University Wednesday, Nov. 28, from 8:15 a.m. to noon in Henderson Center.

Participants 55 years of age and older will begin the activities with a 30-minute walk at their own pace and then have breakfast in the Big Green Room.

Following breakfast, there will be sessions on exercise and fitness and diet. Blood pressure checks will be offered and other health information will be available. Door prizes will be awarded throughout the morning.

There will be a registration fee of \$5 prior to Nov. 26. Registration will be \$8 on the day of the event.

The program is being sponsored by Marshall University's Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation and Hardee's.

To register or obtain further details contact Marshall's HPER Department, 696-6490 or 696-2927.

## Excused absences . . .

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

NOV. 1-3--Timothy Atkins, Wayne Barker, Kenneth Barrett, Robert Bell, Kelly Creekmore, R. Steven Duran, William Highberger, Minter Jackson, Lane Marshall, Zachary Northup, Jay Offenberger, Roy Ramey, Larry Robertson, Leonard Rosanoff, Wayne Toler.

NOV. 1-4--Dawn Ingels, Angela Howell, Travis Shannon, Brian Mott, Leslie Goings, Philip Haynie, Christina Scott, Kip Main.

NOV. 9--Beth Birdsall, Jeni Homan, Beth Hunt, Lisa Lawson.

NOV. 15-17--Timothy Atkins, Wayne Barker, Kenneth Barrett, R. Steven Duran, Minter S. Jackson, Zachary Northup, Roy L. Ramey II, Larry Robertson, Leonard Rosanoff.

# Marshall faculty/staff achievements

Dr. DON P. HOLDREN, professor of finance, presented the results of his research report, "Evaluating Risky and Potentially Insolvent S&Ls," at the Academy of Financial Services on Oct. 24. The report was co-authored by Dr. G.E. Moody of Arkansas State University and Dr. D. Means of Memphis State University. HOLDREN and Moody co-chaired a panel discussion on the topic "The Savings and Loan Bailout: Problem or Opportunity" at the 20th annual convention of the Financial Management Association held Oct. 24-27 in Orlando, Fla.

Staff members from the Autism Training Center made a presentation titled "When Verbal Behavior Ceases Without a Known Cause--Where Do We Go From There?" at the West Virginia Council for Exceptional Children State Conference held Oct. 5. Presenters included Dr. BARBARA BECKER, KATHLEEN COOK TURNER, VICKIE HENSLEY, D.C. MEREDITH, and LESA PASCAVIS-SMITH.

Dr. JAMES HARLESS, director of admissions, PATRICIA GEBHART and NOLA BROWNING, assistant

directors of admissions, and TAMARA EUBANKS and SHERRI STEPHENS, admissions counselors, attended the fall conference of the West Virginia Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers held Oct. 3-5 at Alpine Lake. HARLESS was awarded the Anderson-Milam Award, the association's highest honor. Mrs. GEBHART served on the Executive Committee. Ms. EUBANKS presented a program titled "Minority Recruitment."

Dr. CLAIR W. MATZ, professor of political science, had a review article on theologies of a Middle East peace published in *American Arab Affairs* (#33, Summer 1990). He also represented Marshall at a meeting on "Internationalizing the Curriculum" sponsored by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities Nov. 1-3 in Washington, D.C.

Dr. WILLIAM E. WHEELER, associate professor of surgery, was a co-author of two papers presented at the Southern Medical Association's annual Scientific Program held Oct. 14-17 at Nashville. The papers were "Flexible Sigmoidoscopy: Screening for Asymptomatic Colorectal Disease; Inguinal Hernia Patients versus Normal Patients" co-authored by Dr. STEVE WILSON, Dr. JANE KURUCZ, Dr. JACKSON FLANIGAN, Dr. DAVID RATLIFF, and former Marshall associate professor Dr. CARROLL SCOTT-CONNERS, and "Extremely Soft Tissue Sarcomas" co-authored by Dr. JACKSON FLANIGAN and Dr. JAMES P. CAREY.

## Grad Committee meets

(The following summary of the Oct. 26 meeting of the Marshall University Graduate Committee was submitted by Dr. G. Michelle Gatti.)

Recommendations from the Oct. 26, 1990, meeting of the Graduate Committee included:

1. Change from four to three credit hours for MTH 427/527 and MTH 428/528; 2. Change in course titles of CD 601 and CD 670-671 and a change in course description of CD 690-693 to reflect program and department name changes; 3. Approval of catalog description of the Master of Science in Nursing--Family Nurse Practitioner Program.

The Graduate Committee also acted on requests for the election of a hearing officer for a grade appeal and a request for permitting a transfer student to transfer additional major credit hours.

Twelve applicants were approved for graduate faculty status.

The committee discussed a need for a consistent policy on the selection process and terms of membership for subcommittees of the Faculty Senate standing committees and for a change in policy on assigning grades of "W" versus "F" for students who stop attending but delay dropping audited classes.

## Lunchbag seminar set

The Marshall University Women's Center will sponsor a lunchbag seminar titled "Effects of Sexism on Self and Relationships" on Wednesday, Nov. 28, from noon to 1 p.m. in Prichard Hall Room 143.

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

## Letters of appreciation

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

I want to thank all of you for thinking of me. I appreciate the flowers and your thoughtfulness. They both brightened up that hospital room.

I'm back in the office a few hours a day and hopefully can increase the hours soon. I look forward to being back in full swing and seeing all of you.

Again, thank you.

Sincerely,  
Lee Moon

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

I would like to thank everyone for the flowers, cards, visits and phone calls while I was in the hospital.

I truly appreciate your thoughtfulness and concern.

Marshall University administrators, faculty and staff are very special people.

Thanks!

Sincerely,  
Mack Gillenwater