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Order caps, gowns now (no charge)

Event to mark Med School start

A Special Convocation will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 10, 1978, in the Huntington Civic Center to mark the opening of classes in the Marshall University School of Medicine.

Arrangements are being made by the Commencement and Honorary Degrees Committee. Chairman Michael J. Galgano said full faculty participation is requested for the event, which will include an academic procession and wearing of academic regalia.

Three honorary degrees will be awarded.

Faculty members who do not have their own caps and gowns should place rental orders with Joe Vance in the Book Store. Deadline for orders is December 1.

Cap and gown rental fees will be paid by the university. Complete details of the Special Convocation will be announced later, Galgano said.

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Honor students to visit campus

Some of the brightest high school students in West Virginia and the surrounding region will visit Marshall University's campus Tuesday, Nov. 22, according to Dr. James W. Harless, MU admissions director.

More than 300 high school honor students and their counselors are expected to attend Marshall's fifth annual National Merit Semi-Finalist and Honor Graduate Day, Harless said.

Invitations were sent to all the state's National Merit semi-finalists and those from adjoining areas of Ohio and Kentucky. Members of the National Honor Society and other similar high school scholastic societies and their advisors also were invited.

The event, sponsored by the Marshall Alumni Association, is designed "to familiarize these academically talented students with the diversity of programs offered by Marshall," Harless said. "The students and their counselors will have an

opportunity to meet several faculty members and tour the campus as well," he added.

The activities begin at 8:30 a.m. with registration in the Multi-Purpose Room of Memorial Student Center, followed by welcoming remarks by MU President Robert B. Hayes and MU Alumni President Ezra Midkiff.

Meeting separately, the counselors will spend the morning in open discussion with MU officials, learning about changes in admission procedures and financial aid opportunities; discussing the College Level Examination Program (CLEP) and Marshall's Community College programs, and hearing about the various student services available at Marshall.

The morning session for students will feature presentations by various Marshall officials.

After a noon luncheon, there will be campus tours and meetings with representatives from various academic departments.

Dr. Bailey receives \$3,000 research grant

A Marshall University geologist has been awarded a \$3,000 grant for research to determine if seams of coal can be accurately identified by examination of their chemical components.

Dr. Richard B. Bonnett, associate professor of geology and acting department chairman, said the grant to Dr. Alan Bailey, assistant professor of geology, was made by the Westmoreland Coal Co. and the Penn Virginia Corporation Foundation.

Dr. Bailey said much of his work will involve collecting coal samples for study from strip, shaft and drift mining operations in West Virginia's south-central coal fields.

The scientist said if his research determines that each coal seam has its own identifying chemical constituents to differentiate it from other or associated coal seams, the process could become a useful tool for greater development of coal resources.

Holiday information

The annual Thanksgiving recess for students and faculty will begin at noon Wednesday, Nov. 23. Administrative offices will remain open Wednesday afternoon, but will be closed Thursday and Friday, Nov. 24-25. Classes resume Monday, Nov. 28, at 8 a.m.

In order to be processed before the holiday recess, all mail should be in the mail room by 2 p.m. on Wednesday.

The News Letter will not be published next week due to the Thanksgiving holidays. Publication will resume with the Dec. 2 issue. Items for the News Letter should be delivered to the University Relations Office, Old Main 112, either in person or through campus mail, by 10 a.m. on the Wednesday preceding publication.



OFFICIALS DIG IN FOR BUILDING "B"

During ceremonies Saturday, MU President Robert B. Hayes, right, and several of the officials involved in the planning and construction of Marshall's new classroom building, Academic Building "B," symbolically marked the beginning of construction on the \$4.7 million building. Among those digging in with the president were, from left, Edward L.

Nezelek, president of the construction firm which will build the facility; E. Keith Dean, project architect; Dr. Howard L. Mills, chairman of Marshall's Physical Facilities and Planning Committee; Dr. Ben L. Morton, chancellor, West Virginia Board of Regents, and Edward H. Greene, member, West Virginia Board of Regents. (MU Photo by Arza Barnett)

MCIE to meet Tuesday

The Marshall Council for International Education (MCIE) will meet Tuesday, Nov. 22, at 3 p.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2W37.

Among the speakers on the program will be Dr. James W. Harless, MU admissions director, who will discuss the admission deposit, and Mrs. Carolyn Hunter, Community College reading program coordinator, who will discuss the formation of a foreign students' faculty advisory committee. There will be an election of committee heads and an executive member-at-large.

Directory ready

Copies of the 1977-78 Faculty-Staff Directory will be distributed through the University Relations Office, Old Main 112, beginning Monday. All personnel desiring copies may pick them up at that time.

Board members announced

Members of the advisory board for the two-year Accounting Program at Marshall University's Community College have been appointed by Dr. Paul D. Hines, vice president for the Community College.

Board members are William T. Tracy, a Huntington Certified Public Accountant; Donald Waybright, a group manager for the Internal Revenue Service; E. Blaine Eddy, accounting systems analyst for Ashland Oil, Inc.; J. Roger Leep, senior accountant at Huntington Alloys, Inc., and Jeanne Childers, director of accounting at Marshall University. Mrs. Mack J. Jarrell is coordinator for the program.

Excused absences...

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

- NOV. 3-5—Members of the Cross Country team.
- NOV. 10-12—Members of the Cross Country Team.
- NOV. 18—Keith Carper, Chester Maddox, Jeanette Oldaker and Craig Snyder.

Faculty and staff achievements, activities...

DR. FRANK BINDER, assistant professor of biological sciences, recently completed a training institute for allied health administration sponsored by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) at Valley Forge, Pa.

DR. WARREN W. WOODEN, associate professor of English, has recently been commissioned to write a bibliographic essay on John Foxe the Martyrologist for the "Recent Studies" series of English Literary Renaissance.

DR. RICHARD O. COMFORT, professor of sociology/anthropology, attended a Hunger Task Force meeting called by the National Presbyterian Church in the United States, held Nov. 11-12 at Lee's College, Jackson, Ky. He was elected chairman of a committee on aging which will become a permanent committee of the Transylvania Presbytery's Mission Board.

DR. WESLEY SHANHOLTZER, associate professor physics and physical science; DR. PETER HOFFMANN-PINTHER, assistant professor of physics and physical science, and DR. RALPH OBERLY, associate professor of physics and physical science and departmental chairman, presented talks at the Appalachian Section of the American Association of

Physics Teachers, hosted by Marshall on Nov. 4-5. Dr. Shanholtzer spoke on "Simple Rapid Measurements of the Refractive Index by Critical Angle Techniques." Dr. Hoffmann-Pinther discussed "The Ascent of Man" TV Series as a Basis for a Science and Society Course." "Teaching Physics at the Cambridgeshire College of Arts and Technology" was Dr. Oberly's topic.

MRS. MACK C. JARRELL, coordinator for accounting and legal secretarial studies programs in the Community College, spoke to the Cabell County Chapter of the National Association of Legal Secretaries on Nov. 15. Her topic was "The Legal Secretary's Role in Today's Business Community."

KAMAL K. SAMAR, assistant manager of Memorial Student Center, attended a convention of the Association of College Unions International at Prince Georges Community College, Largo, Md., on Nov. 11-13. He served on a panel and received a Certificate for Student Center Management from the ACU-I Region IV. The region encompasses West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland and the District of Columbia. Topics discussed during the convention related to the goals, services and operation of Student Centers.

DR. LEONARD J. DEUTSCH, assistant professor of English, has had the following articles accepted for publication: "The Waste Land" in Ellison's "Invisible Man," appearing in Notes on Contemporary Literature, VII:2, September, 1977; "A Corrected Bibliography for Rudolph Fisher," appearing in the Bulletin of Bibliography, 35:1 (January-March, 1978), and "The Streets of Harlem: The Short Stories of Rudolph Fisher," appearing in a future issue of Phylon.

DR. W.C. SISARCICK, associate professor of mathematics, attended the annual meeting of the Society of Actuaries in Boston, Mass., Oct. 24-26.

Muslim students celebrate pilgrimage

The Marshall Muslim Student Association will celebrate the pilgrimage to Makkah (Mecca) with a reception Monday, Nov. 21, at 9 p.m. in the Alumni Lounge of Memorial Student Center.

All Marshall faculty and staff are invited to attend the celebration which includes the showing of a film, "Gift of Islam."

Dr. Jabir A. Abbas, associate professor of political science, is the advisor to the association.

Death claims William Davidson

Funeral services will be held Monday, Nov. 21, at 2 p.m. at St. Peter's Episcopal Church for William R. Davidson, 57, associate professor of music, who died at his home, 603 Monroe Ave., early Thursday morning (Nov. 17).

Friends may call at the Davidson home Saturday, Nov. 19, from 4 to 6 p.m.

A native of Harrisburg, Ill., Davidson had been a member of the MU Music Department since 1955 and was on a leave of absence for academic year 1977-78.

He earned B.S. and M.S. degrees in music from the University of Illinois and took additional graduate work at Columbia University.

Survivors include his wife, the former Jean Mack, and a son, John.

Friends may make memorial donations to the Cancer Society or to the Pallotine Order at St. Mary's Hospital.

Library schedule for holidays

The following is the schedule of hours to be observed by the James E. Morrow Library during the period Wednesday, Nov. 23, 1977, through Sunday, Nov. 27, 1977:

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 23	7:45 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
THURSDAY, NOV. 24 - THANKSGIVING	- CLOSED
FRIDAY, NOV. 25	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
SATURDAY, NOV. 26	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Resume regular schedule:

SUNDAY, NOV. 27	1 p.m. - 10 p.m.
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Campus job openings

The Personnel Office has announced the following campus openings:

- Secretary I, Medical School, closes Nov. 19.
- Secretary II, Counseling and Rehabilitation Department, closes Nov. 19.
- Secretary II, Criminal Justice Department, closes Nov. 19.
- Key Punch Operator, Accounting Division, (part-time), closes Nov. 19.

For additional information or to apply, contact the MU Personnel Office, Old Main 207.

NEWCOMERS

New to the campus are:
 JENNIFER H. PEAL, secretary, School of Medicine;
 SABRA DARCEL STAPLETON, dispatcher, Security,
 and STEPHEN E. HOLLEY, building service worker,
 Plant Operations.
 Welcome to Marshall!