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# NEWSLETTER

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## Pauley gets Meet-the-Scholar Award

Dr. Thomas K. Pauley, a nationally recognized leader in the study of reptiles and amphibians, has been chosen to receive Marshall University's Meet-the-Scholar Award, MU President Dale F. Nitzschke has announced.

The award will be presented April 24 during a special reception at Nitzschke's home.

"Dr. Tom Pauley is an expert's expert when it comes to salamander ecology in West Virginia," Dr. Nitzschke said. "Anyone who has heard of West Virginia's Cheat Mountain salamander has, indirectly, heard of Dr. Pauley's work. His effort in getting that rare salamander

added to the threatened species list represents a significant environmental contribution to our state."

Dr. Pauley's work on the environmental impact of land development on the survival of this salamander has earned him the praise and approval of many of the state's environmentalist organizations, according to Dr. Christopher Dolmetsch, chairman of the Meet-the-Scholars Committee.

"His efforts to help identify and promote the survival of many rare aquatic and amphibian species in West Virginia have served to make Dr. Pauley a recognized authority throughout the eastern Appalachian region," Dolmetsch said.

Dr. Pauley's current research includes conducting vertebrate surveys in the New River Gorge National Park and studying the effects of pesticides and acid rain on salamander ecology. He has served as a research consultant for numerous agencies, including the U.S. Department of the Interior, the U.S. Forest Service, the West Virginia Department of Natural Resources, the West Virginia Department of Commerce, Columbia Gas Corporation, and numerous other groups.

Dr. Pauley is a past president of the West Virginia  
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Thomas Pauley

## Bickley will speak at 153rd Commencement

Dr. Ancella R. Bickley, retired vice president of West Virginia State College and a leader in black history research, will be the principal speaker at Marshall University's 1990 Commencement ceremonies, according to MU President Dale F. Nitzschke.

The ceremonies are scheduled for Saturday, May 12, beginning at 11 a.m. in the Huntington Civic Center.

"Ancella Bickley has compiled an enviable record as a scholar, a teacher, a college administrator -- and a human being," Nitzschke said. "We're very pleased she has agreed to serve as our 1990 Commencement speaker."

Nitzschke said Dr. Bickley also will be awarded an honorary Doctor of Pedagogy degree from Marshall.

A graduate of Huntington's Douglass High School, Dr. Bickley earned her bachelor's degree in English magna cum laude from West Virginia State College, her M.A. degree in English from Marshall and her Doctor of Education degree from West Virginia University. She has taught at West Virginia State, West Virginia University, Bates High School in Annapolis, Md., U.S. Army education centers in Maryland and West Germany, and at an Army transitional training unit at Ft. Bliss, Texas.

She served as vice president for administration and as vice president for academic affairs at West Virginia State College.

Dr. Bickley received the 1988 Humanities Award presented by the Humanities Foundation of West Virginia. Additional honors include appointment as a Danforth Associate, the Distinguished Citizen Award of the Mountain State Bar Association, the Carter G. Woodson Award by the National Education Association and the Alumna of



Ancella Bickley

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## Women's Festival set

Marshall University's Festival of Women, a three-day event designed to celebrate the accomplishments of women at the university, will be held Tuesday through Thursday, April 17-19, according to Donnalee Cockrille, coordinator of women's programs at Marshall.

"Women comprise 61 percent of Marshall's student population and a high percentage of faculty and staff members," said Ms. Cockrille. "We believe it is important to recognize the efforts and success of the women members of the campus community."

The activities will begin with an open house at the Marshall University Women's Center on Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Prichard Hall Room 143. Ms. Cockrille said the open house will focus on the many programs offered to women through the center.

On Wednesday there will be a Women's Fair from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the lobby of Memorial Student Center. Informational booths on topics of interest to women will be featured and female musicians from the university's Department of Music will perform during the fair.

Following the fair on Wednesday at 2 p.m. there will be a Professional Women's Fashion Show on the Memorial

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# Alumni Weekend to be held April 20-21

Reunions for the Marshall University Classes of 1940, 1950, 1960 and 1970 and the Grand Class (pre-1940 alumni) are just part of the Marshall Alumni Association's annual Alumni Weekend, set for April 20-21, according to Linda S. Holmes, director of alumni affairs.

The theme for this year's celebration is "Alumni Back to Campus."

Events begin with a "Meet and Greet" reception at 9:30 a.m. Friday, April 20, in the Alumni Lounge, Memorial Student Center. Registration for the reunion classes will be

held concurrently.

At 11 a.m. Friday, Leon K. Oxley, a certified public accountant and attorney with Frazier and Oxley Legal Corp., will present an estate planning seminar in the Alumni Lounge.

Following the seminar, a luncheon for members of the 50-year class and the Grand Class will begin at noon in Shawkey Dining Room, Memorial Student Center.

Campus tours will depart from the Student Center lobby at 2 p.m. Friday.

A champagne reception will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the home of Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke, 1040 13th Ave.

On Saturday, April 21, members of the reunion classes will be treated to a continental breakfast from 9 to 10 a.m. in Shawkey Dining Room, Memorial Student Center.

At 10:15 a.m. Saturday, Dr. M. Wilson Tabor, the 1990 Distinguished Alumnus, will present a seminar titled "Expose or Dispose: A Human Health Perspective on Hazardous Wastes in the Environment." The seminar will be held in Memorial Student Center Room 2W22.

Campus tours depart from the Student Center lobby at 11 a.m.

A "Welcome Back" luncheon will begin at noon Saturday in the Shawkey Dining Room, Memorial Student Center. Members of the Classes of 1950, '60 and '70 will be honored.

The weekend culminates with the annual Alumni Awards Banquet to be held at the Radisson Hotel, 1001 3rd Ave. A cocktail reception will begin at 6:30 p.m. Saturday in the hotel's Grand Ballroom. The banquet will follow at 7 p.m.

For reservations and additional information call the Office of Alumni Affairs, 696-2523.

## Women's Festival set

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Student Center Plaza. Marshall students will model fashions and demonstrate how to dress for success. Maritza Davis, a Marshall student from Charleston, will provide musical entertainment during the show.

The highlight of the activities will be the "Women of Marshall" awards ceremony and reception on Thursday at 1 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge.

Dr. Ancella Bickley, visiting professor of black Appalachia at Marshall, will be the guest speaker for the ceremony.

The Marshall Women's Center will award four \$250 scholarships to students who have made outstanding contributions to the community or university, have triumphed over personal adversity, have made outstanding achievements related to academic interests or have made outstanding contributions to interracial harmony and understanding or efforts to enhance gender equity.

Several campus organizations will present awards to women who have made outstanding contributions to the individual organizations.

A reception dedicated to all women faculty members at Marshall will follow the awards ceremony and conclude the activities.

All of the Festival of Women events will be open to the public free of charge.

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

## Bickley will speak

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the Year Award from West Virginia State College.

A long-time researcher into black writers and black history in West Virginia, Dr. Bickley is organizer and coordinator of the Statewide Black History Conference which held its second session at Marshall last fall and which will meet at MU again in 1990. Currently, she is working with Marshall on a research project on the history of blacks in the Ohio Valley.

"Ancella Bickley's story is one of phenomenal success in the face of racial, gender and other barriers," Nitzschke said. "She serves as an inspiration and as a role model not only to minorities or women, but to all of us."

## Pauley receives award

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Academy of Science, and he continues to serve on the group's advisory committee. He also is a member of the West Virginia Nongame Advisory Council and the Pennsylvania Biological Survey Technical Committee on Amphibians and Reptiles.

He has published 23 manuscripts, nine abstracts, 11 government documents, three books and four lab manuals, and he has given 45 scientific and public presentations on areas related to his research interests.

Dr. Pauley is professor and chairman of biological sciences at Marshall. He received his master's degree from Marshall, his bachelor's degree from the University of Charleston, and his doctoral degree from West Virginia University.

Before joining the Marshall faculty in 1987, he had been a professor of biology and chairman of the Natural Sciences Division at the University of Pittsburgh at Bradford, and professor and chairman of biology at Salem College.

He has been listed in "Who's Who in Ecology" and "Personalities of the South," and was a 1974 recipient of the Outstanding Educator of America award.

# Library Associates to sponsor events

The Marshall University Library Associates will sponsor four days of activities, Monday through Thursday, April 23-26, in conjunction with the organization's annual meeting and National Library Week, according to Dr. Kenneth T. Slack, former director of libraries at Marshall and executive secretary of the Marshall University Library Associates.

The library associates group was formed to provide support for Marshall's library, enhance the prestige and service of the institution and, in so doing, advance the cultural and economic status of the Tri-State region.

Slack said the organization is made up of community leaders, Marshall faculty and staff members and persons interested in the development of the library.

Activities will begin with the dedication of the room housing the Rosanna A. Blake Library of Confederate History on Monday, April 23, at 3 p.m.

The Blake Library of Confederate History, one of the finest collections in the region dealing with the Confederate experience and the Civil War, will be housed in a special room central to the library's special collections section.

Dr. James I. Robertson, C.P. Miles professor of history at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, will be the guest speaker

for the dedication. His topic will be "Johnny Reb and The Fairer Sex: Love Life in the Confederacy."

Robertson also will make a presentation titled "Why the Civil War Lives" Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge during the annual organizational meeting of the University Library Associates.

"Both of Dr. Robertson's presentations will underscore the importance of the Rosanna A. Blake Library of Confederate History," said Slack.

Robertson has written numerous books about the Civil War including "The Stonewall Brigade," "General A.P. Hill" and "Soldiers Blue and Gray."

On Tuesday, April 24, at 7:30 p.m. there will be an open house in the library's Charles A. "Carl" Hoffman Room. The focus of the open house will be on the importance of the history of the health sciences to physicians, medical students and people interested in the humanities.

During the open house, some of the collection's rare books will be reviewed by Curator Lisle G. Brown and Dr. Maurice A. Mufson, chairman of internal medicine at Marshall's Medical School.

"When Dr. Hoffman, who practiced urology in Huntington, first conceived of such a library, there were no others like it in the region," explained Slack. "Scholars had to go to Chicago to find adequate research materials. The university is indebted to Dr. Hoffman for his foresight and determination to establish this facility."

The university's James Wall Geology Museum will be rededicated on Wednesday, April 25, at 11 a.m. in the second floor gallery of the library.

This well-known collection of geologic specimens was assembled by the late Raymond E. Janssen who chaired Marshall's Geology Department from 1942 to 1969. The collection was donated to the university by Parkersburg businessman Charlie O. Erickson.

Open house tours featuring the library's black heritage resources will be conducted from 3 to 4 p.m. on Thursday, April 26. At 4 p.m. in the library's Martin Luther King Media Room, Dr. Ancella Bickley, retired vice president of West Virginia State College and a leader in black history research, will discuss her black heritage history project titled "Revisiting Black History along the Ohio River."

Robert L. Lawson, director of continuing education at Marshall's Community College, and Josephine Fidler, director of libraries, will also discuss plans for community involvement in acquiring more black heritage materials.

Slack said the activities will be open to all interested persons, particularly those interested in supporting the development of the library and joining the University Library Associates.

To obtain further details contact Slack at Marshall University's James E. Morrow Library, 696-3097.

## Staff election slated

An election will be held on Thursday, April 26, at 1:30 p.m. in Old Main Auditorium by the Marshall University Staff Council to elect representatives to the Institutional Board of Advisors and Advisory Council for Classified Employees to the Board of Trustees.

Marshall University President Dale F. Nitzschke will address the staff during the election meeting and introduce the candidates who will be given the opportunity to speak.

## Marshall 'Yard Sale' scheduled April 16-18

Cafeteria equipment, furniture, computers, library security systems and more than 2,000 other items will be offered for sale to the public during Marshall University's "yard sale" Monday through Wednesday, April 16-18, according to William J. Shondel, director of purchasing and materials management at Marshall.

Items for sale will be on display at the university's Receiving Department in Sorrell Maintenance Building on 20th Street on Monday and Tuesday, April 16-17.

Sealed bids will be accepted until 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 18, when the bids will be opened and the winners notified. Terms will be cash, cashier's check or money order.

To obtain further details about the sale contact Barbara Smentkowski in Marshall's Purchasing and Materials Management Office, 696-3157.

Seventy percent of the proceeds from the sale of items will be returned to the departments that offered the items for sale.

## 'Family' will be topic

The Marshall University Women's Center will sponsor a lunchbag seminar titled "Redefining the Family" on Wednesday, April 18, from noon to 1 p.m. in Prichard Hall Room 143.

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



# Two programs designed for secretaries

Marshall University's Community College and Professional Secretaries International will present a seminar for secretaries in conjunction with the third annual American Management Association Secretaries' Briefing on Wednesday, April 25, from noon to 5:10 p.m. in Memorial Student Center.

Prior to the AMA briefing, a panel of Marshall professionals will make presentations on "Stress Management," "Human Relations," "Communications" and "Time Management."

## *Percussion concert and clinic planned*

Two musical premieres will take place during the Marshall University Percussion Ensemble spring concert on Tuesday, April 17, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

Michael R. Bump, professor of percussion at the University of Mississippi, will be featured in the American premiere of Akira Nishimura's "Concerto for Timpanist and Five Percussionists" and the world premiere of William Roger's "March for Timpani."

Bump received his bachelor's degree in music education from Memphis State University and his master's degree from the University of Illinois.

He has held positions with the Memphis Symphony and Memphis Opera orchestras, the Chicago City Ballet, and was principal timpanist for the Asheville Symphony Orchestra and Cullowhee Music Festival.

His works for percussion are published by Arranger's Publishing Company, Studio 4 Productions and Music for Percussion Inc.

Bump will present a free clinic for marching band percussionists on Monday and Tuesday, April 16-17, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. in Smith Music Hall.

## **Spilman's book out**

Dr. Richard S. Spilman, assistant professor of English at Marshall University, will read excerpts from his new book of short stories, "Hot Fudge," during a special reception and book signing ceremony on Thursday, April 26, at 3 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge.

Copies of the book, recently published by Simon and Schuster, will be available at the reception.

Spilman has had poems and short stories published in numerous journals and publications including The Christian Science Monitor and "Editor's Choice 1986" published by Bantam Books. He won the Quarterly West Novella Award in 1983 and was awarded a prestigious National Endowment for the Arts Creative Writing Fellowship in 1988.

He received his master's degree from San Francisco State University and his doctorate from the State University of New York at Binghamton where he studied with writer John Gardner.

Spilman has taught creative writing and literature at Marshall for seven years.

The reception will be open to all interested persons.

The AMA national teleconference will begin at 2:45 p.m., according to Robert L. Lawson, director of continuing education at Marshall.

It will feature presentations by Marilyn Moats Kennedy, founder and managing partner of Career Strategies; John H. Zimmerman, senior vice president of human resources for MCI Communications Corporation; Eileen Lyness, president of Professional Secretaries International, and Donna R. Shumar, assistant to the president and assistant corporate secretary of Community Hospitals, Community Health Services and Pro Health Network.

"The program should be of great interest to secretaries and clerical professionals," said Lawson.

"Local presenters will discuss topics that will provide insights on ways to cope with stressful situations, improve communications and manage time, while the national portion of the program will present information on how secretaries can build better working relationships, improve service, deal with others, network and increase empowerment. Participants will be able to apply this training on the job," explained Lawson.

There will be a \$65 registration fee for the program which includes refreshments, conference materials and parking permits. The fee will be \$55 per person for organizations sending two or more participants.

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

## **Ahrens to give lecture**

Dr. John Ahrens of the University of Hartford will present a lecture titled "Science, Nature and Human Values: The Cartesian Legacy for Environmental Ethics" at Marshall University on Monday, April 16, at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge.

His presentation will be the last in the Applied Ethics Lecture Series sponsored by the Marshall University Department of Philosophy and made possible through a grant from The Marshall University Foundation.

Following his presentation, which will be open to the public free of charge, Ahrens will hold a discussion session with members of the audience.

To obtain further details contact Dr. Sarah B. Fowler, assistant professor of philosophy and series director, 696-2704.

## *Computer show scheduled*

The sixth annual Tri-State Computer Show will be held at Ashland Community College on Tuesday, April 17, from 4 to 9 p.m. and Wednesday, April 18, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

More than 24 vendors are expected to have displays and computer equipment at the show, which also will feature seminars, presentations, and a graphics contest.

The program is being sponsored by the American Institute of Chemical Engineers and Ashland Community College.

Joe Walker, one of the show's organizers, said a \$1 contribution will be asked for at door as an admission charge.

To obtain further details contact Walker at (606) 327-6609 or (304) 522-9226.