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News Letter

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'BISONtennial Night' Saturday

It will be "BISONtennial Night" at Memorial Field House Saturday when the Marshall University Thundering Herd takes on Jacksonville University at 8 p.m.

Not only will there be three basketball games (Men's JVs vs. Shawnee State at 3:30 p.m. and the MU women's team vs. North Carolina at 5:30 p.m.) on tap, but the Marshall Department of Athletics is asking that all fans dress "Bicentennially" with prizes going to the most appropriately dressed to the theme in four different categories.

"We want the fans to come dressed in colonial style or in Red, White & Blue or any patriotic way that fits in with this year's Bicentennial celebration," said Athletic Director Joe McMullen.

"We want to have a thunderous, star-spangled evening," said McMullen, "and by combining Marshall basketball with

the nation's 200th birthday, we'll truly have a 'Bisontennial' affair."

The student "Hanky Gang" has been asked to bring red, white and blue handkerchiefs to wave and door prizes for the Marshall students will be fitted into the program.

All fans who dress "Bicentennially" will be asked to join the Patriotic March on the floor at halftime when judges will select the best dressed in the following categories: male adult, female adult, youth (grades 1-12) and pre-school youth.

The university pep band has promised to play patriotic music at halftime and all fans at the game will be given red, white and blue buttons to wear.

All senior citizens have been invited to the game as guests of Marshall.

2-day forensics tournament opens on campus

Smith Hall on the Marshall University campus will be buzzing this weekend as the eighth annual John Marshall High School Tournament presents its two-day panorama of forensics activities.

Record attendance and participation is expected for this year's event which begins today, according to Catherine Cummings, tournament director.

"I'm pleased that we're growing. The record attendance and participation we anticipate is a sign of increased interest in forensics in the state high schools," Ms. Cummings said. "I hope it's a portent of increased speech activities in the high schools in future years."

More than 300 students and 30 directors of forensics will set new standards for total attendance, student attendance, attendance by directors, and total schools attending.

New levels of participation should be recorded in total entries and in six of the seven individual competition areas.

Welcoming remarks by Dr. Robert B. Hayes, president of Marshall University, and Dr. George Harbold, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, will highlight the opening assembly at 5:30 p.m. today. The assembly follows a tournament registration session from 3 to 5 p.m. in the lobby of Smith Hall.

The presentation of awards at 3 p.m. Saturday will conclude the weekend of activities.

Union Carbide Corp. gives \$8,000 to MU

Union Carbide Corp. has made a gift of \$8,000 to assist Marshall University's Chemistry Department in the purchase of a major item of equipment, Marshall Director of Development Jack C. Phillips announced.

The grant was awarded to the foundation to be applied toward purchase of a nuclear magnetic resonance spectrometer.

The instrument is used universally for the study of the structure of molecules, the positions of various atoms within a molecule, and changes in structure which occur as a result of reactions.

According to Dr. William Kuryla of South Charleston, manager of recruiting and university relations for Union Carbide, the grant was made in recognition of the high quality of the chemistry program at Marshall, where students participate in research and independent study as part of their regular program.

Dr. Hoffman speaker for Issues Forum

Dr. Charles A. (Carl) Hoffman of Huntington, past president of the American Medical Association, will speak on "The Practicing Physician of the Present and the Future" at 8 p.m. Thursday, March 4, in the Alumni Lounge of Memorial Student Center.

Hoffman, an MU alumnus, is the third speaker in the National Issues Forum series of addresses sponsored by the student Lecture Series and Contemporary Issues committee. All of the addresses are open to the public without admission charge.

A public reception for Hoffman will follow his address.

Library 'break' schedule

The James E. Morrow Library schedule of hours during the spring break period (March 8-13) is as follows:

Friday, March 5	7:45 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 6	9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday, March 7	Closed
Monday Through Friday, March 8 - 12	8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 13	Closed
Sunday, March 14 (Resume regular Sunday schedule)	1 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Monday, March 15 (Resume regular schedule)	7:45 a.m. - 11 p.m.

Gov. Moore explains employee pay proposal

The following is the text of a memorandum from Gov. Arch A. Moore Jr. which explains his plan for pay increases and retirement fund relief for all employees of the state:

"I have proposed to the Legislature significant changes on your behalf and I would ask that you share with me a complete understanding of these proposals.

"First, five (5) million dollars to raise the minimum pay scales and to make, where needed, the public sector salaries comparable with like positions in the private sector;

"Second, five percent (5%) across the board increase for all employees should their respective supervisors feel that they are deserving in a productive manner. Funds have been provided to the Legislature to cover this seven and one-half (7.5) million dollar salary adjustment plan;

"Third, provide appropriate salary adjustments in the Department of Highways;

"Fourth, a most significant benefit to all public employees. I have requested that the Legislature agree with me that the 4.5 percent monthly payment to the retirement fund by employees be absorbed by the State. That is a net 4.5 percent increase, tax free, in take home pay for each public employee.

"Therefore, every conscientious public employee could receive a minimum of 9.5 percent increase during the fiscal year.

"I want you to know that as Governor I am aware of your needs and in the above I am requesting that progress to that end be made. There is money available to do it without an increase in taxes."

Retirement talks set

All Marshall University employees considering retirement are invited to attend a discussion session on Social Security, the Employees Retirement Fund and insurance to be held at the Cabell County Board of Education office building, 620 20th St., on Friday, March 5, at 1:30 p.m.

The invitation was extended by R.F. Brooks, member of the Cabell County Board of Education, who will conduct the meeting. Employees of the Cabell County school system also have been invited.

Mrs. Casto appointed to information position

Mrs. Judith Casto, currently City Hall reporter for the Huntington Herald-Dispatch, has been appointed assistant director of informational services at Marshall University, effective March 1.

Announcement of the appointment was made by Informational Services Director C. T. Mitchell who said Mrs. Casto will succeed John C. McKinney in the position. McKinney was promoted to director of the Office of Publications last November.

Mrs. Casto is a graduate of Parkersburg High School and earned her A.B. degree in journalism and her M.A. degree in communication arts from Marshall.

She has been a member of the Huntington Publishing Co. staff for 12 years, from 1960 to 1964 and from 1967 to the present. From 1972 until her recent assignment to the City Hall beat, she specialized as an education writer for the Herald-Dispatch. Mrs. Casto served as departmental assistant in the Marshall Department of Journalism from 1964 to 1967 while working toward her Masters degree.

She is the wife of James E. Casto, editorial page editor of the Herald-Dispatch.

Gab Session Tuesday

The next Faculty Gab Session is scheduled for Tuesday, March 2, at 3 p.m. in the Presidents Room of Memorial Student Center.

President Hayes will be present for informal discussion and to answer questions by individual faculty members.

'Thundering Word' team wins in Virginia tourney

Marshall University's "Thundering Word" debate team defeated seven of eight intercollegiate opponents and battled the weatherman to a draw last weekend.

The Marshall team outstripped seven straight opponents before bowing to Clarion (Pa.) College in the final round of the Old Dominion University Monarch Invitational Debate Tournament in Norfolk, Va. The loss gave Marshall a second place finish among 30 teams competing in the tournament.

The draw with the weatherman occurred Monday morning in southeastern West Virginia. The team's trip home was delayed by snow and hazardous driving conditions and the group returned to Huntington about four hours later than planned.

PRAGUE ORCHESTRA TO PERFORM

The Prague Chamber Orchestra will perform works by Beethoven and Dvorak at 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 3, at the Keith-Albee Theater as part of the Marshall Artists Series, Baxter Series.

Admission is by season membership or tickets which are available at the theater box office. Marshall students may obtain free tickets by presenting valid activity cards at the box office Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and an hour before curtain.

DR. L. AUBREY DREWRY, dean of the College of Business and Applied Science, has been serving as a moderator for the televised American Issues Forum for the month of February. The final February program, "Selling the Consumer," will be telecast by WMUL-TV (Channel 33) at 6 p.m. Sunday. WOWK-TV (Channel 13) will have its second follow-up program to the WMUL series on Saturday, March 6, at 2:30 p.m. Drewry will serve as moderator for this program, too, and will be accompanied by JAMES F. WEIDMAN, instructor in marketing, and THOMAS M. BURROWS, instructor in finance. The program will be aired live so members of the viewing audience can call in questions or make comments.

DR. THOMAS R. ALLEN JR., associate professor of occupational, adult and safety education, participated in the National Conference of the Council of Distributive Teacher Educators held in Kansas City, Feb. 11-14. The conference topic was "Competency Based Curriculum in Distributive Education."

DR. FRANK L. BINDER, assistant professor of biological sciences, is the author of an article, "Qualitative and Quantitative Effects of Radiation on Pycnidial Formation in 'Dendrophoma Obscurans'," which will appear in the April issue of the Canadian Journal of Botany.

DR. EVERETT N. ROUSH, director of alumni affairs, participated in the Southeastern District Conference of the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education held in Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 15-18. He presented a mini-seminar, "Are Alumni Meetings Really Worth the Trouble?"

DR. ROBERT F. MADDOX, associate professor of history, is author of an article, "Senator Harley M. Kilgore," which has been accepted for publication in the forthcoming supplement to the Dictionary of American Biography.

DR. CARL S. JOHNSON, assistant professor of education, has been informed that an article of which he is the major author will appear in a future issue of School Science and Mathematics. The article is entitled, "Applications—Where Are You?"

DR. W. THURMON WHITLEY, associate professor of mathematics, spoke to the Mu Alpha Theta Club at Buffalo (Wayne County) High School on Feb. 17. His topic was "Mathematicians Are Human."

DR. DAVID FIELDS, assistant professor of mathematics, discussed "The Cardiac Computer" with the Mu Alpha Theta Club at Gilbert (W.Va.) High School on Feb. 20.

DR. WILLIAM P. SULLIVAN, professor of English, read a paper, "Bartleby—A Naturalistic Explanation," at a conference of the West Virginia Association of College English Teachers at Jackson's Mill on Feb. 21. Also representing the Department of English were DR. BRUCE ARDINGER, BARBARA BROWN, DR. JACK BROWN, DR. HYMEN HART, DR. WILLIAM RAMSEY, JOHN W. TEEL and DR. WARREN WOODEN.

DR. MICHAEL J. GALGANO, assistant professor of history, has been notified that his articles, "Anna Doyle Wheeler, 1785-1848," and "William Thompson, 1775-1833," have been accepted for inclusion in the forthcoming Biographical Dictionary of Modern British Radicals, I, 1770-1832, by Harvester Press in England.

NEWCOMERS

Newcomers to the campus include:

LEONA MARLENE TYE, secretary in the Community College, and BRIAN E. MESSINGER, clerk in Receiving.

Welcome to Marshall!

Children's Theatre production to open

Marshall University students will present a Children's Theatre production Friday and Saturday in Old Main Auditorium. Performances are scheduled Friday at 4 p.m. and Saturday at 4 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

The play, "Livin' de life," is a fantasy adapted from writings of Joel Chandler Harris by playwright George Graczyk. It centers around the attempt by one of the characters to find a cure for the mopes—a mysterious malady caused mainly by excess worry.

The play marks a return of Children's Theatre to Marshall after a seven-year absence and the first production ever during the regular academic year.

Admission for all performances will be 50 cents for children and \$1 for adults. Marshall students also may attend for 50 cents. Tickets will be available at the door beginning one hour before each performance. Seats are on a first-come, first-served basis.

Absences excused...

Excused absences have been approved by the respective colleges for the following persons on the dates listed:

FEB. 23-24—Members of the University Singers.

FEB. 25—David Abraham, Sara Berkeley, Arza Barnett, William Brannon, Rebecca Clark, Larry Dobrosky, Rick Haye, Frank Jarrell, Kim Kimmy, Ruth Maynard, John McCoy, Rick L. Nolte, Robert Pearce III, Glenn T. Searls and William Willett.