Marshall and WVSC develop cooperative grad assistant program

Officials of Marshall University and West Virginia State College today announced a cooperative program they believe will benefit both institutions and provide better educated citizens for the state of West Virginia.

Marshall University Interim President Alan B. Gould and West Virginia State College President Hazo W. Carter Jr. signed a Memorandum of Understanding during a news conference on the WVSC campus to formally establish the Marshall University and West Virginia State College Cooperative Minority Graduate Assistantship Program.

The presidents emphasized that both institutions are aware of the fact that West Virginia has an acute need to have more minorities attending graduate school.

"This program is an effort to encourage more people in under-represented groups to pursue graduate degrees, which will benefit both institutions," said Gould. "West Virginia State will be able to offer its students opportunities to work toward master's degrees in any subject they wish to pursue. While at Marshall, we believe the addition of more African-American students in our graduate programs will benefit all of our students and the university as a whole.

"In the long run, we think the state of West Virginia will be the real winner because of the educational opportunities and experiences this program will give people who will be working in our communities."

Under the program, Marshall will make available a designated number of graduate assistantships to African-American students who have obtained or are in the process of obtaining baccalaureate degrees at WVSC. Five graduate assistantships will be available during the first year of the program which begins this fall.

"This agreement with Marshall University brings two excellent institutions of higher education, only 40 miles apart geographically, even closer together. This is a moment that gives me great personal satisfaction. I applaud all of those who have endeavored to bring to fruition an unequaled opportunity for West Virginia State College minority graduates to pursue graduate degrees. I am certain that the fruits of this partnership will be of mutual benefit to all those involved for many years to come."

Continuing, Carter stated, "I am sure Dr. Gould joins me in thanking several persons who laid the groundwork for this program, including Dr. Betty J. Cleckley, vice president for multicultural affairs at Marshall; Dr. Leonard Deutsch, dean of Marshall's Graduate School, (Continued on page 2)

Doctors Support The Campaign for Marshall

Dr. William S. Sheils of the Huntington Internal Medicine Group (second from left) presents a check to Dr. Edward S. "Ned" Boehm, Marshall University vice president for institutional advancement, as the group's first installment on a $50,000 three-year pledge to The Campaign for Marshall. Huntington Internal Medicine Group is the first medical group to donate to the campaign which is seeking $10 million for university endowment and capital projects. Sheils is a 1957 Marshall graduate. With Sheils and Boehm are (far left) Earl Heiner Jr., president of Heiner's Bakery, Inc., and Huntington physician Joseph B. Touma, who are volunteer leaders for the campaign.

Kriebel named acting director of MU center

Robert S. Kriebel, assistant professor of business education and office administration in Marshall University's College of Education, has been named acting director of the university's Center for International Studies for the 1991 fall semester, according to Interim MU President Alan B. Gould.

Kriebel will work half-time in the Division of Human Development and Allied Technology and half-time at the center.

He has traveled throughout Europe, the Middle East, Scandinavia, the Caribbean, Mexico and China and has led several student tours to foreign countries.

In July, he will lead a group of business educators to Wales and England where they will attend the annual meeting of the International Society for Business Education. Kriebel is the Southern Business Education Association representative for the United States chapter of the International Society of Business Education.

The mission of Marshall's Center for International Studies is threefold: to promote cross-cultural, international study among Marshall University students; to (Continued on page 2)
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and from West Virginia State College, George C. Cameron, J.D., special assistant to the president and general counsel, and Dr. Barbara J. Oden, vice president for academic affairs.

West Virginia State College will identify potential applicants as early as the sophomore year and encourage contact between MU department chairs and promising WVSC students.

Applicants sought for Autism Center position

The Autism Training Center at Marshall University is seeking applications and nominations for the position of associate director/training services, according to Dr. Barbara Becker, director of the center.

Becker said the center is seeking an experienced individual with expertise and "hands on" experience with autistic clients as well as experience in administration, behavior analysis, research and grant writing.

The position also will offer the opportunity for appointment to undergraduate and graduate level teaching.

Requirements include an earned Ph. D. or Ed. D. in special education, psychology or a related field. The position will be pay grade 18.

To obtain further details contact the Autism Training Center, 696-2332.

Graduate recital set

A graduate piano recital by Mark Anthony Alexander of Williamson will be held Friday, Aug. 9, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

A candidate for a master of arts degree in music, Alexander will perform works by Beethoven, Bartok, Debussy and Chopin.

Alexander was the recipient of the Ann B. and George Hughes Scholarship in 1989-91 and served as a graduate assistant in performance.

He has participated in the Marshall Flute Ensemble, Symphonic Band and Jazz Band. In 1987 he performed with the Scott Joplin Chamber Orchestra in Houston, Texas.

The recital will be open to the public free of charge. To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Music Department, 696-3117.

Exhibit continues in gallery

An installation exhibition on line and space is being presented through July 26 in Birke Art Gallery, according to Michael Cornfeld, gallery director and chairman of the MU Art Department.

The experimental project is the work of Marshall graduate art students and gallery attendants.

During the junior year, tours of the MU campus will be arranged for students who wish to familiarize themselves with Marshall's faculty, academic programs and campus. Marshall faculty also will visit West Virginia State to meet with prospective applicants.

Program liaisons at WVSC will arrange luncheons and informal and formal presentations for MU faculty members and interested students.

Graduate assistantships will provide a stipend paid every two weeks and a tuition waiver which covers all tuition expenses except student activity fees.

In exchange, the recipients will work full-time (a maximum of 20 hours a week) or part-time (a maximum of 10 hours a week) doing research in collaboration with a professor, teaching one or two classes, preparing laboratories or performing other assignments for the employing academic department.

Both presidents said they hope this is the first of several cooperative programs between Marshall and West Virginia State. They indicated officials of the two institutions will continue to work together to explore the possibility of faculty exchange programs and joint faculty appointments.

"West Virginia State College is a fine institution and we are very pleased they have taken a leadership role in programs that will advance educational opportunities in West Virginia," said Gould.

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internationalize the university's curriculum and coordinate campus-wide international programs, and to make the international resources of the university available to the community.

"Professor Kriebel has a vast amount of experience in traveling and studying abroad," noted Gould. "We are pleased a person with his credentials will be able to serve the university and the community in this capacity."

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

Letter of appreciation

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

Please accept our heartfelt thanks for the tremendous outpouring of love expressed in memory of my mom and our sister Rosemary.

The Family of Rosemary Hayes Freeman, Joyce Wright
Division of Teacher Education
Historian to portray famous explorer

Historian Fred Krebs will present a chautauqua portrayal of Christopher Columbus at Marshall University on Friday, July 19, at 7 p.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2W22.

The performance, which will be open to the public free of charge, is being presented in conjunction with Marshall’s Seminar with Visiting Scholars in Art, Literature, Religion, Philosophy and History which is being held July 18-20.

Since 1985, Krebs has portrayed a number of famous historical figures, including Benjamin Franklin, Rutherford B. Hayes, John C. Fremont, William Merritt Chase, Thomas Paine, Ralph Waldo Emerson and others. He makes approximately 40 presentations in character each year for public schools, colleges and universities and community groups.

He also presents a number of lectures on topics ranging from African-American history and the United States Constitution to ethics and international relations.

Krebs received his bachelor’s degree in history from the University of Kansas where he was a Rhodes Scholar finalist and a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He received his master’s degree from the University of Missouri and did additional studies at Kansas University.

He has been a member of the Johnson County (Kan.) Community College faculty since the institution opened in 1969. He previously taught at the University of Kansas. Krebs has written and presented a number of papers at scholarly and professional meetings and conferences and wrote and produced more than 60 one-hour radio programs titled “What If…” Each program outlined an event in history and then explored how the world would have changed if the event had a different outcome.

His chautauqua performances usually include a monologue followed by a discussion with the audience.

To obtain further details about the program contact Kay Dickins in Marshall University’s Department of Modern Languages, 696-6730.

Edmunds gets grant

Dr. Robert F. Edmunds, associate professor of speech at Marshall University, has been awarded a $350 faculty development grant from the Cable-Satellite Public Affairs Network (C-SPAN).

The grant was made in conjunction with Edmunds’ participation in the “C-SPAN in the Classroom” seminar held recently in Washington, D.C., according to Mary Holley, C-SPAN’s education communication coordinator.

Edmunds will be able to obtain videotapes and catalogs for teaching or research projects from the Public Affairs Video Archives of C-SPAN Programing at Purdue University. Tapes of all C-SPAN programs aired since 1987 are recorded and indexed in the archives.

Holley said C-SPAN is a non-profit public affairs cable television network that is available in 53 million households nationwide and throughout the world via satellite. The network is privately funded to serve the public by cable television companies.

Edmunds was one of 35 college and university professors from throughout the United States invited to participate in the “C-SPAN in the Classroom” seminar.

Fellowships available

Information on Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars Fellowships in the Humanities and Social Sciences is available in the Marshall University Graduate School Office, Old Main Room 113.

The center awards approximately 40 fellowships each year to individuals with outstanding project proposals representing the entire range of scholarship, with a strong emphasis on the humanities and social sciences.

The deadline for applications will be Oct. 1.

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The National Institute of General Medical Sciences has initiated a nationwide program of predoctoral fellowships in the biomedical sciences for minority students.

Applicants must be enrolled in, or have accepted an offer of admission from, a graduate program leading to a Ph.D. or M.D. degree.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Graduate School, Old Main Room 113.

Comedy to be presented

Marshall University’s Summer Theatre will present “The Boys Next Door,” a comedy by Tom Griffin, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, July 18-20, at 8 p.m. in Old Main Auditorium.

The play, under the direction of Maureen B. Milicia, takes a compassionate and humorous look at the world of four retarded men who live in a communal residence under a sincere, but despairing social worker.

Tickets will be $4 and may be purchased in Old Main Room B23. Tickets may be ordered by calling 696-ARTS. Unsold tickets will be available at the door prior to performances.

Paper work not stapled

Joe Vance, manager of the Marshall University Bookstore, has a Panasonic electric stapler that has been repaired for a Marshall University department.

He said the paper work on the stapler had been separated from the unit in shipping and he doesn’t know which department had the stapler repaired.

If the stapler belongs to your department, please contact Vance to claim the unit, 696-2456.
Marshall faculty/staff achievements

Dr. PAUL A. BALSHAW, dean of Marshall University's College of Fine Arts, has been appointed by West Virginia Governor Gaston Caperton to a three-year term on the West Virginia Arts Basic Education Task Force. The task force was formed as a result of a two-year study in which BALSHAW participated. The study reviewed the state of the arts in basic education in West Virginia, which prompted the National Endowment for the Arts to award a $150,000 grant to the state to implement the recommendations made by the steering committee.

Four Marshall University administration and faculty members participated in panel discussions June 27 before members of the National Association of Newspaper Column Writers meeting at the Radisson Hotel in Huntington. Serving on the panel about "Hate Speech and the First Amendment" were Dr. NELL BAILEY, vice president for student affairs; Dr. WILLIAM DENMAN, director of the Society of Yeager Scholars, and Dr. RALPH TURNER, professor of journalism. Dr. GEORGE ARNOLD, professor of journalism, served on a panel on column writing. Dr. HAROLD SHAVER, director of the School of Journalism, helped organize the panels.

Dr. C. ROBERT BARNETT, professor in the Division of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, read a paper titled "How Chicago Had and Lost the 1904 Olympic Games," moderated a session and served as the chair of the Publications Committee at the North American Society for Sport History meeting held May 24-27 in Chicago.

Med student honored

Marshall University student Daniel Todd was one of 17 students nationwide honored for their medical research by the American Physiological Society. Todd, who is pursuing a Ph.D. degree in biomedical sciences at Marshall’s School of Medicine, received the Procter and Gamble Graduate Student Award. He was invited to give a poster presentation on his research at the society’s meeting, held this spring in Atlanta as part of the annual Federation of American Societies of Experimental Biology.

Todd’s presentation was titled “Identification of a Putative Precursor to Hypertensive Factor (HF) by Monoclonal Anti-HF Antibodies.”

“This project is designed to identify a molecule that may be involved in cellular calcium handling and possibly in hypertension,” said Todd. “We are using the techniques of antibody production and biochemistry to identify and purify this molecule, which may play a major role in the development of hypertension in animals and possibly in humans.”

Todd, of Clinton County, Mich., is a graduate of St. John’s High School and Alma College. He is the son of Robert and Karen Todd.

Newsletter deadline

Items for the Marshall University Newsletter must be submitted to the University Relations Office by 10 a.m. Tuesday in order to be published the following Thursday. Lengthy items should be submitted as early as possible to ensure publication. The Newsletter will be published every other week during the summer terms.