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MU Faculty and Staff Achievements

Dr. **SUK KIL HONG**, postdoctoral fellow in the Department of Pharmacology, and Dr. **GARY O. RANKIN**, professor and chair of the Department of Pharmacology in the MU Medical School, published an article entitled "Biotransformation of 2-chloroaniline in the Fischer 344 rat: identification of urinary metabolites" in "Xenobiotica," 1998, vol. 28, no. 10, pp. 985-994.

Members of the MU Medical School including: Dr. **HONG**, Dr. **RANKIN**, Dr. **DIANNE K. ANESTIS**, research assistant III in the Department of Pharmacology; Dr. **MONICA A. VALENTOVIC**, professor in the Department of Pharmacology, and Dr. **JOHN G. BALL**, research assistant II in the Department of Pharmacology, along with Dr. **PATRICK I. BROWN**, associate dean of the Department of Anatomy, and Dr. **RUU-TONG WANG**, associate professor of the Department of Anatomy, published an article entitled "Gender Differences in Acute N-(3,5-Dichlorophenyl)-2-Hydroxysuccinamic Acid (2-NDHSA)

Nephrotoxicity in Fischer 344 Rats" in the "Journal of Toxicology and Environmental Health, Part A," 54:613-632, 1998.

Dr. **LYNNE WELCH**, RN, Ed.D., C-FNP, dean of the MU School of Nursing, presented a paper entitled "Pluralism: What it is and what it isn't" at the annual Academic Affairs Administrators South/Southeast Regional Meeting in Jacksonville, Fl. in November. WELCH was also an evaluator for military health professions programs for the American Council on Education (ACE) in Montgomery, Ala. in Nov.

Dr. **ALINA ZAPALSKA**, associate professor in the Department of Economics, recently published a paper entitled "Competition Within the Polish Banking System" in the "Journal of Business and Economics Research."

Dr. **LYNDA ANN EWEN**, professor in the Department of Sociology/Anthropology, has recently published "Social Stratification and Power in America: The View from Below." She is also Co-Director of the Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Gender in

Appalachia and Director of the Oral History of Appalachia Program.

Dr. **LAWRENCE R. SCHMITZ**, associate professor in the Department of Chemistry, has published a paper entitled "Heats of formation of organic molecules calculated by density functional theory: II. Alkanes" in the "Journal of Computational Chemistry," volume 19, pages 1421 - 1430.

Dr. **BETSY ENNIS DULIN**, associate dean and associate professor in the Graduate School of Information Technology and Engineering (GSITE), was re-appointed to the Environmental Quality Board by Governor Cecil Underwood, for a term ending in June, 2003.

Dr. **THOMAS E. WILSON**, associate professor in the Department of Physics and Physical Science, presented a paper entitled "Modeling the high-speed switching of far-infrared radiation by photoionization in a semiconductor" in Session EB (Condensed Matter and Polymers) at the Ohio Section Fall Meeting of the American Physical Society, held October 16-17, 1998 at the University of Akron's Goodyear Polymer Center. The abstract may be viewed on the Internet at www.aps.org/BAPSOF98/abs/S600005.html. A more detailed paper on the topic has been submitted to The Physical Review B for publication.

ROTC faculty member promoted

John Block, assistant professor of military science, has been promoted to the rank of Major in the U.S. Army.

Maj. Block was promoted in an October ceremony on the Lefty Rollins Track with 44 ROTC students and five cadre, or ROTC faculty members, present. His wife, Trish, and sister, Chris Seay of Richmond, Va., pinned on his new rank.

"Major Block has been a tremendous asset in recruiting potential young officers for the ROTC program," said Lt. Col. Stephen A. Redmond, head of the ROTC program at Marshall. "He has helped make the ROTC program fun for college students through his innovative training ideas."

Block currently teaches all ROTC basic level courses and assists with Training and Logistics. During his first year at MU, he served as Recruiting Operations Officer and developed a liaison relationship between the ROTC and the Marshall University Athletic Department.

He was assigned to Marshall in July 1997 as part of the army's Active Guard Reserve (AGR) program. Previously, he served with the 5th Battalion, 75th Division, at Fort

Leavenworth, Kan. While there, he also served for three and half years as Unit Administrator, a civilian position responsible for all pay and administration.

Block has completed more than 12 years of military and active federal service. His military education has included: Infantry Officer Basic Course, Special Forces Operations Course, Infantry Officer Advanced Course, Basic Airborne Training, Observer Controller Course, Battle Focus Training,

Combined Arms Services and Staff School, Mobilization Planner's Course, Transportation Officer Advanced Course, Civil Affairs Officer Advanced Course, and the Multifunctional Logistics Course.

His decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, and National Defense Service Medal.

He received his commission in May 1986 at Arkansas State University in Jonesboro, Ark. He has a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from ASU and is currently pursuing a master's degree.

Funeral services held for Molly Binder

Funeral services for Mary E. "Molly" Binder, 28, of Huntington were conducted Jan. 13 at St. Joseph Church. Binder was an accounting assistant II in the MU Accounting Office.

Binder was born December 4, 1970, in Pittsburgh, Pa., and was the daughter of Frank and Joyce Binder of Huntington. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Survivors include a brother, Raymond J. Binder and wife, Kara, of Huntington; a sister, Lorraine B. Binder of Morgantown; paternal grandparents, Frank and Dorothy Binder of Sarasota, Fla., and a niece, Kayla Binder of Huntington. She was preceded in death by her maternal grandparents, Raymond and Elizabeth Bradley.

Donations of sympathy may be made to St. Joseph Church, High School or Nazareth House, Huntington.

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Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Symposium set

Events for the community's Sixth Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Symposium are set for Jan. 16-20 and will feature a candlelight march and memorial service, according to Dr. Betty J. Cleckley, Marshall University vice president for multicultural affairs and international programs.

"We have scheduled a variety of events and activities to appeal to a wide number of groups," Cleckley said. "The symposium is an effort to broaden knowledge and perspectives about the ideals that Dr. King set forth."

The following is a list of events scheduled for the Martin Luther King Symposium:

Saturday, Jan. 16:

10 a.m. - Dr. King's "Letter From the Birmingham Jail" will be the topic of a panel discussion at the Calvary Baptist Church, 915 Eighth Ave. Moderated by Rev. Franklin Murphy, the panel will examine this work and celebrate the impact it made.

Monday, Jan. 18:

10 a.m. to 12 noon - An "Investment in Youth Leadership Forum" program will be coordinated by the Rev. Samuel Moore. The program will provide a platform for open discussion between youth and community leaders and will take place at Fairfield West Community Gardens, 1680 11th Ave.

5 p.m. - A traditional candlelight march will begin from the Ebenezer Community Outreach Center, 1660 Eighth Ave. "The march is an opportune time to remember Dr. King and reflect on his accomplishments," Cleckley said.

6:30 p.m. - A memorial service for Dr. King will take place at the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, 1135 Fifth Ave. with Dr. R.F. Smith, Jr. presiding.

Presentations by the winners of the Martin Luther King Jr. Scholar Awards Competitions will take place after the service. "The purpose of the King scholar awards program is to promote research, writing and

understanding about the life and times of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.," Cleckley said.

Appearing immediately following the presentations will be Dr. Diana L. Hayes, associate professor of Systematic Theology at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. Hayes will present a lecture entitled "I Stand at the Door and Knock."

Following Hayes will be music by the Wilberforce University Choir from Wilberforce, Ohio.

Tuesday, Jan. 19:

7 p.m. - The Wilberforce University Choir will present a concert at Marshall University's Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center, 1658 Fifth Ave.

Wednesday, Jan. 20:

7-9 p.m. - Charles Johnson, director of the Creative Writing Program and holder of the Pollock Chair in Humanities at the University of Washington in Seattle, Wash., will be the featured speaker. Author of the novel "Dreamer," Johnson will have a book signing after the lecture. These events will take place in the Don Morris Room in Marshall University's Memorial Student Center.

"One of the symposium's objectives is to promote understanding and social justice," Cleckley said. "I believe these events will help us reach that goal."

The theme for the sixth annual symposium is "Replenishing the Dream: Continuing the Legacy Now and Into the Year 2000 and Beyond." It is sponsored by Marshall University, the City of Huntington, Mayor Jean Dean, the Cabell County Board of Education, the Cabell County Public Library, the Herald-Dispatch and the Huntington/Cabell County NAACP.

James O'Brian receives Employee of the Month Award for December

James O'Brian of Huntington, security guard in the Department of Residence Services, has been selected Marshall University Employee of the Month for December, according to Bill Burdette, chairman of the selection committee.

O'Brian has been a member of the Marshall staff for 14 years. He was nominated for the award by Molly McClennen, assistant director of the department, Glen A. Midkiff, resident director, and Amber Doby, student security coordinator.

"Mr. O'Brian is one of the most dependable, honest and conscientious employees I've worked with," McClennen said. "The Residence Hall staff and students often comment on his cheerful attitude and dedication to his job."



O'Brian

Dedication is an oft-used phrase when describing O'Brian and his work. "As a student, resident, resident advisor and resident director, I have observed Mr. O'Brian to be a very positive worker who treats residents with the upmost respect while following university procedure," Midkiff said.

"As a patrol guard, he performs his job well and in a professional manner," Doby said. "This, along with his friendliness and positive attitude toward his position, makes Mr. O'Brian an asset to the university community."

O'Brian will receive a plaque and \$100 for being named Employee of the Month and will be eligible for the Employee of the Year Award.

Marshall University President J. Wade Gilley and his wife, Nanna, provided funds through a grant to establish the Employee of the Month and Employee of the Year program.

Notice

Please note on your calendar that all Marshall University offices will be closed Friday, April 2, 1999.

Marshall University set records in 1998

Nineteen ninety-eight was a remarkable year in the 161-year history of Marshall University. Here are just a few of the many achievements of this special year...

- Marshall's **total enrollment exceeded 16,000 students**, including 4,000 graduate and medical students — up from 13,000 in 1991.
- The university dedicated and **occupied three new libraries at a cost of \$35 million** on its Huntington, South Charleston and Health Sciences campuses and opened three new **Byrd Institute** manufacturing facilities in South Charleston, Bridgeport and Rocket Center.
- Marshall was named as one of the **100 Best College Buys in America** — a function of quality and modest cost to students.
- The football team won the **Mid-American Conference championship** and defeated the University of Louisville in the Motor City Bowl on December 23 by a score of 48-29, becoming the first school to ever win more than 100 football games in any decade — 101, with at least 11 games still to play in the 1990s.
- **New apartments with more than 1,000 new beds for students** are under construction through a unique public private partnership.
- **Marshall faculty have achieved national recognition in key areas** such as writing across the curriculum, technology management, learning disorders, family practice, journalism, forensic science, integrated science, Internet certification, safety management, nursing and information technology, among many, many others.
- More than \$75 million in new academic facilities were completed in 1998 alone, including a new **\$32 million Medical Center**.
- The university achieved more **than \$500,000 in administrative cost reductions** in 1998-99 to partially fund a 4.7% faculty salary increase and a 6% classified staff salary increase. And the university increased its budget for books and library materials to more

than \$1.1 million per year — an increase of some 30 percent.

- **Marshall is a national leader in forensic identification and criminal justice** with more than 1,000 students enrolled in three master's degree programs, Forensic Science, Criminal Justice and Justice Studies, two bachelor's degree programs, Forensic Identification and Criminal Justice, and two associate degree programs. Add to this more than \$4 million in federal grants, special program authorization in the West Virginia Code and a new facility under construction. In fact, more than 70 master's degrees in Justice Studies have been awarded in the Charleston area in the past 10 years alone.
- In 1998 the federal government awarded Marshall a six-year, \$12 million grant for an **Appalachian Transportation Research Institute**, in addition to more than \$20 million in federally funded initiatives already in place at the university.
- Marshall's associated **foundations** saw their **assets increased from \$29 million in 1992 to \$76 million in 1998**.
- In 1998 Marshall continued to emerge as **a national leader in the use of information technology** to improve academic quality and deliver instructional programs across the state and the nation. More than 40 on-line courses enrolled some 700 students in the fall of 1998 alone.
- A visiting committee recommended that **Marshall be accredited through the year 2006 with positive comments regarding the progress of the university**. And more than 15 specific academic programs received new or renewed accreditation.
- The university received national attention for its diversity initiatives, including establishing the **Harmony Institute** and appointing more women vice presidents (5) and deans (4) than any other public university in America.
- Ground was broken for **a new campus in Point Pleasant** and a new **Jomie Jazz Center** in Huntington; a renovated Henderson Center arena was opened at a cost of \$5 million, and new facilities

for biomedical sciences, fine arts and recreation are being planned.

- Buildings named for **Robert C. Byrd** (South Charleston) and **John D. Drinko** (Huntington) were dedicated.
- Marshall was named the **23rd Safest Campus in America**.
- Marshall renewed its heritage with the unveiling of a major new statute of **John Marshall**, establishment of **The John Marshall Research Center** and the naming of Princeton University Professor Jean Smith as the first John Marshall Professor.
- And finally, more than 2,300 Marshall faculty, staff, students, alumni, corporations and foundations and friends of the library joined together to donate more than \$8 million to the drive to build a new library and information center on the Huntington campus.

Marshall University is proud to serve the people of West Virginia with a high quality, cost effective program of higher education. And Marshall University is grateful for the support of West Virginians and friends everywhere as the university continues its drive to improve the access to and quality of higher education in the 21 Century.

Marshall University is West Virginia's Interactive University

Letters of appreciation

Dear MU Faculty and Staff:

Thanks to all for the beautiful flowers during my mother's funeral. Your support brightened a sad time for all of us.

Sincerely,
The Family of Olive Hall

Dear MU Faculty and Staff:

Our deepest thanks for your consideration and the beautiful arrangement of flowers that were sent. It made us proud to be a part of this great institution.

Sincerely,
Bill and Judy McDowell

30th Annual MU Jazz Festival Feb. 4-6

The Marshall University Jazz Ensemble, under the direction of Dr. Ed Bingham, associate professor in the Department of Music, will present the 30th Annual MU Jazz Festival on Feb. 4-6 in Smith Music Hall on the MU Huntington campus.

Two guest artists, Marty Erickson and Dave Anderson, will be featured as clinicians and performers at the festival.

The opening concert on Thursday, Feb. 4 will feature collegiate jazz ensembles from West Virginia, Kentucky and Ohio.

On Friday, Feb. 5 the MU Faculty Jazz Ensemble will combine forces with Erickson and Anderson for a performance of jazz standards and contemporary compositions

The Saturday night Festival Finale with the MU Jazz Ensemble promises to be one of the musical highlights of the year in the Tri-State. Marty Erickson, a native of Michigan, comes from a rich musical background. He has performed with such groups as the United States Navy Band and the Commodores, the National Symphony Orchestra, the Smithsonian Masterworks Jazz Orchestra, the Boston Pops Orchestra, Big Bertha's Rhythm Kings and many other ensembles.

Erickson is equally comfortable performing jazz, pops and classical music and has established himself among audiences, colleagues and students as one of the most versatile musicians in the world. His teaching experience is based on his many years

of professional performances and is best described as practical and straightforward. Marty Erickson is a clinician and design consultant for DEG Musical Products/Wilson Band Instruments USA.

David Anderson is a Marshall University alumnus who continued his education at Indiana University and the University of Kentucky. Recently retired from Morehead State University where he was director of jazz ensembles, Anderson continues to work throughout the central Kentucky area as a professional musician and is widely respected for his introspective playing style and dry sense of humor.

"David Anderson's ensembles were regular features of past Marshall Jazz Festivals we welcome him back as a performer and clinician," Bingham said.

A founding principle of the MU Jazz Festival is its commitment to involvement between student and professional musicians. High school ensembles from West Virginia, Kentucky and Ohio will perform during the day on Friday, Feb. 5 and Saturday, Feb. 6 and will be offered clinic sessions by Erickson and Anderson.

Jazz Festivals from past years have included such luminaries as West Virginia's own Bob Thompson, Alvin Batiste, Stan Kenton, Clark Terry, Count Basie, Bill Watrous, Eddie Daniels, Dave Valentin, Art Pepper and many others.

"The festival offers a unique setting for enjoying what has been called America's

Classical Music," Bingham said. "There will be informal Jam Sessions following each performance at the Calamity Cafe. This is a chance to hear aspiring young players combine talents with professionals in a club setting."

Admission for the 30th Annual MU Jazz Festival is \$5 per person. For more information, contact Dr. Bingham, 696-3147.

Jazz Festival Events

Thursday, Feb. 4

7 p.m. - Collegiate Ensembles

Friday, Feb. 5

8 a.m. - 12 noon - High School Adjudication

1-2 p.m. - Clinic Sessions

2:30-5:30 p.m. - High School Adjudication

7 p.m. - Collegiate Ensembles

8 p.m. - MU Jazz Faculty with Marty Erickson and Dave Anderson

Saturday, Feb. 6

8 a.m. - 12 noon - High School Adjudication

12 noon - 2 p.m. - Open Rehearsal by the MU Jazz Ensemble

2 p.m. - Clinic Sessions

7 p.m. - College & Community Jazz Ensemble

8 p.m. - MU Jazz Ensemble with guest artists Marty Erickson and Dave Anderson.

Psychology Clinic available for MU faculty, staff and students

The Marshall University Psychology Clinic is open to members of the Marshall community (and their families) who need therapy or evaluation services, according to Dr. W. Joseph Wyatt, associate professor in the Department of Psychology and clinic director.

"We provide a wide range of non-emergency services including therapy and psychological evaluations," Wyatt said. The clinic's areas of focus include child emotional and conduct difficulties.

Overall, about 75 percent of the clinic's clients are adults and 25 percent are children. "Our clients suffer from anxiety, depression, habit disorders, relationship problems, job stress and other problems," Wyatt said. "We conduct psychological evalua-

tions for a host of issues including learning disorders, attention deficit disorders and others."

The clinic, in which licensed doctors of psychology supervise those in training to be therapists, has been in operation for about 20 years and is located in Harris Hall on MU's Huntington campus.

"Our clients get good treatment and the cost is quite economical," Wyatt said. "Because it is a training clinic and because we view part of our role as provision of services to the Marshall community, we charge only \$10 per therapy hour, and only \$50 for a complete psychological examination."

For more information or to arrange an appointment, contact the MU Psychology Clinic, 696-2772.

Upcoming Marshall Artists Series Events

Tuesday, Jan. 19: The Chinese Golden Dragon Acrobats will perform at 8 p.m. at the Keith-Albee Theatre. Tickets are \$20, \$18 and \$16 and age 17 and under are half-price.

Monday, Feb. 1: The Broadway musical "SMOKEY JOE'S CAFE- The Songs of Leiber and Stoller" will be at the Keith-Albee Theatre at 8 p.m. Jerry Leiber and Mike Stoller are the team that wrote such musical hits as "Stand By Me," "Yakety Yak" and "Jailhouse Rock." The musical has won several Tony awards and a 1996 Grammy Award for Best Musical. Tickets are \$35, \$33 and \$31.

For more information about either of these events, call the Marshall Artists Series box office at (304) 696-6656.