Excused absences...

The following students have received university excuses for the dates indicated:

Jan. 26: Dennis Black, Kristina Simpon and April Vitello.

Feb. 4-7: Molly Basset, Clara Beard, Elizabeth Chitty, Jennifer Dailey, Amanda Essex, UK: Transaction.

Feb. 11-12: David Felinton, Alison Smith, Chris Timmons, Vivian Stinson.

Feb. 18-21: Melissa Lesar, Katie Redd, Kathleen Sandell, Derek Scarbro.

Feb. 26: Dennis Black, Kristina Simpon and April Vitello.

Mar. 3-5: Melissa Lesar, Katie Redd, Kathleen Sandell, Derek Scarbro.

Mr. BARBARA A. DA VIS, professor in the Department of Art, presented a manuscript entitled "Art as an Art Form in the Early Native American Southeast" to the Bead Society of Greater Washington (DC) on Dec. 10, 1998. The lecture included research funded by grants from the Bead Society and the Marshall University Summer Research Program. While in Washington, Dr. Power conducted bead research at the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History (Research Facility) in Suitland, Md.

JIM STEPHENS, associate director in HR Services, has been certified as a Senior Professional in Human Resources (SPHR) by the Society of Human Resource Management. SPHR is the highest professional certification presently available for the HR field.

Dear MU Faculty and Staff:

Thank you all for your prayers, support, kindness and expression of sympathy in behalf of our daughter Molly. It is truly gratifying to know that so many people care. We are truly blessed to be part of the Marshall family.

Sincerely,
Tony Williams

Dear MU Faculty and Staff:

The SCORES department would like to thank our campus community for their tremendous support in the construction of a Habitat for Humanity home for Linda McComas.

Sincerely,
Sherry Brooks and the SCORES staff
New student tax credits available

In accordance with the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 signed by President Clinton, Marshall University will be implementing the Hope and Lifetime tax credits for its students and families.

"It's a good deal for both students and taxpayers," said Barry Beckett, director of student financial services at Marshall University.

The Hope tax credit provides up to $1,500 per student for qualifying expenses that exceed the maximum dependent is allowed to pay for the first two years of college. To be eligible, students must be enrolled at least half-time and have a degree program. The Hope tax credit is available for expenses paid on or after January 1, 1998, for any academic year, for up to 20 years of the taxpayer's life.

The Lifetime tax credit provides up to $1,200 per student for qualifying expenses that exceed the maximum dependent is allowed to pay for the first 10 years of college. To be eligible, students must be enrolled at least half-time and have a degree program. The Lifetime tax credit is available for expenses paid on or after January 1, 1998, for any academic year, for up to 20 years of the taxpayer's life.

President Scholar to Speak

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Applications for the Point 2000 are due by March 31. For more information, contact the Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Gender in Appalachia (CSEGA). For more information, contact the Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Gender in Appalachia (CSEGA).

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MU Artists Series to host Mountain Stage

The Marshall Artists Series will sponsor Mountain Stage at 8 p.m. at the Keith-Albee Theatre in Downtown Huntington.

Mountain Stage is a live, award-winning, two-hour radio program that began in local production in 1984 and has been broadcast nationally throughout the years. The show is produced and directed by Alan and Carolyn Cutler. Mountain Stage has been named Best Local Radio Show and Best Best Female Contemporary Blues Artists.

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FIRST SEMESTER 1999-2000

August 16, Monday - August 20, Friday ........................................... Registration/Schedule Adjustment
August 21, Saturday, 9 a.m ............................................................... Residence Halls Open
August 23, Monday, 8 a.m ................................................................. First Day of Classes
August 23, Monday - August 27, Friday ........................................... Late Registration and Schedule Adjustment
August 30, Monday ................................................................................ "W" Withdrawal Period Begins

September 4 - September 6 ................................................................. University Computer Services Unavailable
September 6, Monday ......................................................................... Labor Day Holiday - University Closed
September 17, Friday .......................................................................... Application for December Graduation Due in Academic Dean's Office
September 24, Friday ........................................................................... Last Day to Drop 1st 8 Weeks Courses

October 12, Tuesday .............................................................................. Mid-Semester, 1st 8 Weeks Courses End
October 13, Wednesday ........................................................................ 2nd 8 Weeks Courses Begin

October 18, Monday ............................................................................. Deadline for Submitting Freshmen Mid Term Grades
October 29, Friday .............................................................................. Last Day to Drop a Full Semester Individual Course

(October 1 - December 7) .................................................................. Complete Withdrawals Only
November 8 - November 19 ................................................................. Advance Registration for Spring Semester for Currently Enrolled Students
November 19, Friday ............................................................................ Last Day to Drop 2nd 8 Weeks Courses
November 19, Friday, 6 p.m. ................................................................. Residence Halls Close
November 22 - December 10 ............................................................... Advance Registration for Spring Semester Open to All Admitted/Re-Admitted Students

November 22, Monday - November 27, Saturday ................................. Fall Break - Classes Dismissed
November 25 - November 28 ............................................................... University Computer Services Unavailable
November 25, Thursday .................................................................... Thanksgiving Holiday - University Closed
November 26, Friday ............................................................................ University Holiday - University Closed

November 28, Sunday, Noon ................................................................. Residence Halls Open
November 29, Monday ......................................................................... Classes Resume

December 1, Wednesday - December 7, Tuesday .................................. "Dead Week"
December 7, Tuesday .......................................................................... Last Class Day and Last Day to Completely Withdraw for Fall Semester
December 8, Wednesday ..................................................................... Study Day - Exams for Wednesday Classes 3 p.m. and After Will Be Held
December 9, Thursday ........................................................................ Exam Day
December 10, Friday ............................................................................ Exam Day

December 11, Saturday ........................................................................ Exam Day for Saturday Classes
December 12 - December 26 ............................................................... Advance Registration/Schedule Adjustment for Spring Semester is Suspended
December 13, Monday ........................................................................ Exam Day
December 14, Tuesday ........................................................................ Exam Day - Fall Semester Closes - Official Graduation Date for Fall Semester
December 15, Wednesday, Noon ........................................................... Residence Halls Close
December 16, Thursday ........................................................................ Deadline for Submitting Final Set of Grades
December 23, Thursday - December 31, Friday ..................................... University Offices Closed
December 28, Tuesday - December 30, Thursday ................................. MILO Registration Resumes

January 3, Monday ............................................................................. University Offices Open

SECOND SEMESTER 1999-2000

January 3, Monday - January 7, Friday ................................................. Registration/Schedule Adjustment
January 9, Sunday, 9 a.m ................................................................. Residence Halls Open
January 10, Monday ............................................................................ First Day of Classes
January 10, Monday - January 14, Friday ........................................... Late Registration/Schedule Adjustment
January 17, Monday ........................................................................... Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday - University Closed
January 18, Tuesday ........................................................................... "W" Withdrawal Period Begins

January 21, Friday ................................................................................ Application for May Graduation Due in Academic Dean's Office
February 11, Friday .............................................................................. Last Day to Drop 1st 8 Week Courses
March 1, Wednesday ............................................................................ Mid-Semester, 1st 8 Weeks Courses End
March 2, Thursday .............................................................................. 2nd 8 Weeks Courses Begin
March 6, Monday ................................................................................ Deadline for Submitting Freshmen Mid Term Grades
March 17, Friday .............................................................................. Last Day to Drop a Full Semester Individual Course

(March 20 - April 28)
March 18, Saturday, Noon ................................................................. Residence Halls Close
March 19, Sunday - March 25, Saturday .............................................. Spring Break - Classes Dismissed
March 26, Sunday, Noon ................................................................. Residence Halls Open
March 27, Monday ............................................................................... Classes Resume
March 27, Monday - March 31, Friday .............................................. Advance Registration for Summer Session for Currently Enrolled Students
April 3 - June 2 ..................................................................................... Advance Registration for Summer Session Open to ALL Admitted/Re-Admitted Students
April 7, Friday ..................................................................................... Last Day to Drop 2nd 8 Weeks Courses
April 17 - April 30 ................................................................................ Advance Registration Fall Semester for Currently Enrolled Students
April 21, Friday .................................................................................... April Break, No Classes
April 24, Monday - April 28, Friday ..................................................... "Dead Week"
SUMMER SESSIONS 2000

Session A

May 5, Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. ..................................................... Last Class Day
May 11, Thursday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. ..................................................... Final Examination Day - Session A Ends
June 18, Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. ..................................................... Last Day to Drop an Individual Course
June 29, Thursday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. ..................................................... Last Day to Submit Final Grades for Session A

Session B

May 12, Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. ..................................................... Last Class Day
May 18, Thursday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. ..................................................... Final Examination Day - Session B Ends
June 26, Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. ..................................................... Last Day to Submit Final Grades for Session B

Session C

June 2, Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. ..................................................... Last Class Day
June 8, Thursday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. ..................................................... Final Examination Day - Session C Ends

Session D

July 10, Monday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. ..................................................... Last Class Day
July 16, Thursday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. ..................................................... Final Examination Day - Session D Ends

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August 14, Monday - August 18, Friday .................................................. Registration/Schedule Adjustment
August 19, Saturday, 9 a.m ................................................................. Residence Halls Open
August 21, Monday, 8 a.m ................................................................. First Day of Classes
August 21, Monday - August 25, Friday .............................................. Late Registration and Schedule Adjustment
August 26, Monday ................................................................. "W" Withdrawal Period Begins
September 2 - September 4 ............................................................. University Computer Services Unavailable
September 4, Monday ................................................................. Labor Day Holiday - University Closed
September 15, Friday ................................................................. Application for December Graduation Due in Academic Dean's Office
September 22, Friday ................................................................. Last Day to Drop 1st 8 Weeks Courses
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(January 8, Monday - January 12, Friday) ........................................... Complete Withdrawals Only
November 6 - November 17 ............................................................. Advance Registration for Spring Semester for Currently Enrolled Students
November 17, Friday ................................................................. Last Day to Drop 2nd 8 Weeks Courses
November 17, Friday, 6 p.m ............................................................... Residence Halls Close
November 20 - December 8 .............................................................. Advance Registration for Spring Semester Open to All Admitted/Re-Admitted Students
November 20, Monday - November 25, Saturday ................................ Fall Break - Classes Dismissed
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December 13, Wednesday, Noon ........................................................... Residence Halls Close
December 14, Thursday ................................................................. Deadline for Submitting Final Set of Grades
December 22, Friday - January 1, 2001, Monday ................................... University Offices Closed
December 27, Wednesday - December 29, Friday .................................. MILO Registration Resumes
January 2, Tuesday ................................................................. University Offices Open

SECOND SEMESTER 2000-2001

January 2, Tuesday ................................................................. University Offices Open
January 2, Tuesday - January 5, Friday ................................................ Registration/Schedule Adjustment
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April 2 - June 2 ................................................................. Advance Registration for Summer Session Open to ALL Admitted/Re-Admitted Students
April 6, Friday ................................................................. Last Day to Drop 2nd 8 Weeks Courses
April 13, Friday ................................................................. April Break, No Classes
April 16 - April 27 ................................................................. Advance Registration Fall Semester for Currently Enrolled Students
April 23, Monday - April 27, Friday ........................................................... "Dead Week"
April 27, Friday ................................................................. Last Class Day and Last Day to Completely Withdraw for Spring Semester
SUMMER SESSIONS 2001

Session A
May 4, Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.                  Session A - Regular Registration
May 7, Monday                                  Session A - First Day of Classes
May 7, Monday 8 a.m.-4 p.m.                   Late Registration and Schedule Adjustment Closes for Session A
May 25, Friday (May 29 - May 31)              Complete Withdrawals Only
May 26 - May 28                                University Computer Services Unavailable
May 28, Monday                                 Memorial Day Holiday - University Closed
May 31, Thursday                               Last Class Day - Last Day to Withdraw for Session A
June 1, Friday                                 Final Examination Day - Session A Ends
June 4, Monday                                 Deadline for Submitting Final Grades for Session A

Session B
May 11, Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.                 Session B - Regular Registration
May 14, Monday                                 Session B - First Day of Classes
May 14, Monday 8 a.m.-4 p.m.                  Late Registration and Schedule Adjustment Closes for Session B
May 26 - May 28                                University Computer Services Unavailable
May 28, Monday                                 Memorial Day Holiday - University Closed
June 15, Friday (June 16 - July 16)           Complete Withdrawals Only
July 4, Wednesday                              Independence Day Holiday - University Closed
July 5, Thursday                               Last Class Day - Last Day to Withdraw for Session B
July 6, Friday                                 Final Examination Day - Session B Ends
July 9, Monday                                 Deadline for Submitting Final Grades for Session B

Session C
June 1, Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.                 Session C - Regular Registration
June 3, Sunday, 9 a.m.                        Residence Halls Open
June 4, Monday                                 Session C - First Day of Classes
June 4, Monday 8 a.m.-4 p.m.                  Late Registration and Schedule Adjustment Closes for Session C
June 8, Friday                                Application for July Graduation Due in Academic Dean's Office
June 22, Friday (June 25 - July 5)            Complete Withdrawals Only
July 4, Wednesday                              Independence Day Holiday - University Closed
July 5, Thursday                               Last Class Day - Last Day to Withdraw for Session C
July 6, Friday                                 Final Examination Day - Session C Ends - Official Graduation Date for Session C
July 9, Monday                                 Deadline for Submitting Final Grades for Session C

Session D
July 9, Monday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.                 Session D - Regular Registration
July 10, Tuesday                               Session D - First Day of Classes
July 10, Tuesday 8 a.m.-4 p.m.                Late Registration and Schedule Adjustment Closes for Session D
July 13, Friday                                Application for August Graduation Due in Academic Dean's Office
July 27, Friday                                Last Day to Drop an Individual Course
(July 30 - August 9)                          Complete Withdrawal Only
August 9, Thursday                             Last Class Day - Last Day to Withdraw for Session D
August 10, Friday                              Final Examination Day - Session D Ends - Official Graduation Date for Session D
August 10, Friday, 6 p.m.                    Residence Halls Close
August 13, Monday                             Deadline for Submitting Final Grades for Session D