11-9-1989

MU NewsLetter, November 9, 1989

Office of University Relations

Follow this and additional works at: http://mds.marshall.edu/oldmu_newsletter

Recommended Citation
http://mds.marshall.edu/oldmu_newsletter/158

This Article is brought to you for free and open access by the Marshall Publications at Marshall Digital Scholar. It has been accepted for inclusion in MU NewsLetter, 1987-1999 by an authorized administrator of Marshall Digital Scholar. For more information, please contact zhangj@marshall.edu, martj@marshall.edu.
Bickel to get Meet-the-Scholars Award

Dr. Robert N. Bickel, a researcher focusing on educational reform and planning, has been selected to receive Marshall University's highest research award, the Meet-the-Scholars Award.

The award will be presented at a dinner honoring Bickel Nov. 16 at the home of MU President Dale F. Nitzschke, according to selection committee chairman Christopher L. Dolmetsch.

Bickel's research is both significant and timely, according to Dr. Nitzschke.

"We are facing profound challenges in education," Nitzschke said. "Dr. Bickel's studies on public policy, drop-out prevention and achievement factors go to the very heart of important controversies in public education. His research will help determine the direction we as a nation take to improve education's effectiveness."

Bickel, an associate professor of educational foundations and administration in Marshall's College of Education, conducts research on several fronts: whether academic achievement is higher in public or private schools; whether public or private schools more effectively promote academic achievement independent of the students' socioeconomic backgrounds; what factors cause students to drop out of school; what causes students to enter college; the effect of teacher salaries on student achievement; and whether the effective schools movement is a realistic approach to economic development.

According to Dolmetsch, Bickel's work "clearly places him in the mainstream of the current educational reform movement."

"The selection committee was especially impressed to see that Dr. Bickel is using his knowledge of dropout and retention factors to formulate ideas of potential use in our state and region," Dolmetsch said. "His recent work (Continued on page 2)

Legislators will visit Marshall campus Friday

Members of the West Virginia Legislature's Subcommittee on Higher Education will pay their annual visit to Marshall University Friday, Nov. 10, according to MU President Dale F. Nitzschke.

"The visit gives us an opportunity to discuss Marshall University's progress and its needs with an important group of legislators," Nitzschke said. "We're always pleased to have them on our campus."

The legislators will have breakfast with the President's Cabinet, then will meet with the academic deans and members of the university's classified staff before having lunch with the Institutional Board of Advisors. Afternoon activities include sessions with faculty members, (Continued on page 2)

Purchasing program set

Marshall University's Purchasing Office will conduct two purchasing workshops on Wednesday, Nov. 15, in the Personnel Conference Room in Old Main Room 207, according to William J. Shondel, director of purchasing and materials management.

The first workshop will be held at 9 a.m. for new secretaries and others who are responsible for purchasing activities.

The second workshop will be held at 10:30 a.m. for those who are more experienced in the purchasing procedure but would like to know more about a particular topic. This workshop will be informal and the agenda will be set by those participating.

Persons who would like to attend either of the workshops should contact Jackie Ball, 696-3600, to reserve a seat.

Service planned Nov. 14

A memorial service marking the 19th anniversary of the 1970 airplane crash which took place near Tri-State Airport will be held Tuesday, Nov. 14, at noon on Memorial Student Center Plaza.

Seventy-five Marshall football players, coaches, administrators, students, friends from the community and flight crew members lost their lives in the crash.

Parker Ward Jr., president of Marshall University's Big Green Scholarship Foundation, whose father died in the crash, will introduce the guest speaker, Keith Morehouse, a reporter for WOWK-TV in Huntington. Morehouse's father, Gene Morehouse, was Marshall's sports information director and also was killed in the crash.

The presentation of the memorial wreath at Memorial Fountain will be made by current Marshall students whose parents were killed in the crash.

Marshall's Mass Choir will perform and Roy Hoobler, an MU music major, will perform on the carillon. Rev. William Miller of Kenova will present the invocation. The presentation of the colors will be done by MU ROTC cadets.

In lieu of flowers, the planning committee requests that (Continued on page 2)
on educational effectiveness versus educational equity is most appropriate for study given the current national crisis facing our educational system."

Bickel has had more than 20 articles printed in scholarly journals including Educational Policy, Issues in Education, The High School Journal, and Theory and Research in Social Education. He has presented more than two dozen papers to groups including the American Educational Research Association, the premier organization for research in education.

While at Marshall, he has received a College of Educa-

Weiler to lecture here

Dr. Kathleen Weiler of Tufts University will make a presentation titled "Feminism and Social Change: The Challenge for Teachers" at Marshall University on Thursday, Nov. 9, at 7:30 p.m. in Corbly Hall Room 104.

On Friday, Nov. 10, from 11 a.m. to noon in Jenkins Hall Room 215, she will discuss her work in progress, "Feminist Theory of Difference," an essay examining assumptions of universalism across various forms of oppression, which has been accepted for publication in Peter McLaren's forthcoming book, "Critical Encounters with Paulo Freire."

Dr. Weiler was the 1987-88 recipient of the Spencer Fellowship Award for research in education. Her research focuses on women teachers, black teachers and teachers in rural settings.

To obtain further details contact Dr. Linda Spatig or Dr. Edwina Pendarvis in Marshall University's Division of Curricular and Instructional Support and Leadership Studies, 696-3630.

Service planned Nov. 14

(Continued from page 1)

donations be made to the Memorial Scholarship Fund. The fund has been established to award a memorial scholarship to a student next year--the 20th anniversary of the tragic accident.

In the event of rain, the activities will be held under the Memorial Student Center balcony.

The memorial service is being sponsored by the Marshall University Student Government Association.

Legislators to visit

(Continued from page 1)

students and representatives of the School of Medicine. All of the meetings will be in Memorial Student Center.

The day will close with a reception for the visitors at Nitzschke's home.

Senate members of the subcommittee are Sondra Lucht, Keith Burdette, Charles Felton, Fred Parker and George "Buffy" Warner. House of Delegates members are Percy C. Ashcraft, Mary Pearl Compton, Virginia J. Starcher, Stephen T. Williams and Otis A. Leggett.

tion Faculty Development Grant and a Marshall University summer research grant. He also serves on several Marshall and College of Education committees.

Bickel is a member of the American Educational Research Association, the Society for the Study of Social Problems and the Institute for Democracy in Education. He serves on the board of directors of Region III Child Development Services.

Before joining the Marshall faculty in 1987, Bickel was an educational research specialist for the Florida Department of Education and a planner and evaluator for the Florida Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services. He held research associate and research analyst positions in health, mental health and judicial organizations.

He also was a teaching assistant at Florida State University and Pennsylvania State University. He was an instructor and curriculum development specialist at the U.S. Army Southeastern Signal School.

Bickel received his Ph.D. from Florida State University and his master's and bachelor's degrees from Pennsylvania State University. During his postgraduate study he received a National Defense Education Fellowship and three university fellowships.

He was elected to the honorary societies Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Delta Kappa.

Bickel is the ninth recipient of the Meet-the-Scholars Award. The program, now in its fifth year, honors academic research and promotes interaction between Marshall scholars and the Tri-State community. The award carries with it a $1,000 check.

Excused absences...

Absences have been excused by the respective college deans for the following:

OCT. 13-14--Men's and Women's track teams.
OCT. 20-21--James Boggis, Barb Cyrus, Steve Clarkson, Jason Cutler, Jeff Davis, Phil Haynie, Steve Holley, Angela Howell, Steve Kimble, Brian King, Beth Snead, Ryan Willong.
NOV. 2--Rhonda Yoho, Rebecca Lycans, soccer team.
NOV. 3--Timothy Adkins, Wayne Barker, Kenneth Barrett, Kelly Creekmore, William Farrah, Andrew Hayes, Kenneth Highberger, Minter Jackson, Lane Marshall, Roy Ramey, Robby Scarberry, Mark Tomblin, Thomas Turman.

Students to exhibit art

The works of two senior art students will be exhibited in Birke Art Gallery Nov. 13-18, along with a selection of student work from the recent sculpture residencies.

Lois Mack of Milton, a candidate for a B.A. degree in art education, and Chad Sheby of Plainfield, N.J., a B.F.A. degree candidate in graphic design, will present a variety of pieces in two and three dimensions.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Art Department, 696-6760.
Gottlieb to lead Social Work Program

Assistant Professor Jody Gottlieb has been appointed director of Marshall University's Social Work Program and recruitment of a third faculty member for the program will begin immediately, according to MU President Dale F. Nitzschke.

Nitzschke announced a series of decisions regarding the Social Work Program following recently-completed reviews of its strengths and weaknesses by a presidential review committee and by a visiting consultant.

"We have every reason to believe the Social Work Program can become fully accredited and can continue to play a leading role in meeting the region’s needs for trained social workers," Nitzschke said. "We intend to make every effort to bring that about."

His remarks followed a meeting with Paul Glaser, dean of social work at Rutgers University and a member of the Council of Social Work Education. Glaser is examining the program for continuation of its candidacy status for eventual CSWE accreditation..

Nitzschke announced:
- The Social Work Program will remain organizationally-housed in Marshall’s School of Medicine. Elements of the program requiring articulation with the College of Liberal Arts will be determined by the deans of the School of Medicine and the College of Liberal Arts, along with the director of the program.
- Ms. Gottlieb, who has been serving as interim director, will have full director status.
- A national search will begin to identify and recruit a third faculty member, in line with requirements for full accreditation of the program. This faculty member will be responsible for the research and field placement components of the Social Work Program.
- A reconfigured, community-based Social Work Program Advisory Committee will be established. It will provide appropriate community input through continual reevaluation of curriculum and related educational experiences and will provide a mechanism to maintain close communication among faculty, students, social work practitioners, alumni, field instructors, agency administrators and community leaders.
- Plans are to be formulated for the aggressive recruitment and retention of students as Social Work Program majors.
- A goal of full accreditation by 1991 will be vigorously pursued.
- The current budget for the program will be maintained, including resources to enhance library holdings.
- Computer capability will be maintained and upgraded as appropriate.

Nitzschke said he had adopted most of the recommendations contained in the recently-completed report of the President’s Social Work Program Review Committee, as well as those of consultant Alvin L. Sallee of the University of New Mexico, who recently evaluated the program and its future prospects. Nitzschke expressed his appreciation to both the committee and the consultant "for their hard work, their insight and their willingness to help us succeed in our efforts to achieve accreditation."

Lunches designed for faculty/administrators

Guest passes are available for faculty and administrative staff members who would like to join students for lunch in either of the two residence hall cafeterias, according to Linda Rowe, associate director of residence life.

"The aim of the Faculty Lunch Series is to provide relaxed, informal opportunities for students and professors or campus administrators to talk and get to know one another," said Ms. Rowe. "Students are being encouraged to invite faculty members and professors and administrators are being encouraged to attend on their own on an ad hoc basis."

Ms. Rowe said this semester's program is being informally conducted, but a more structured program will be instituted next semester.

Marshall’s Residence Life Office introduced the Faculty Lunch Series in 1988. Since that time, approximately 50 faculty members and more than 150 students participated in the program.

To obtain lunch passes or further details contact Linda Rowe, 696-3183.

Drama to be performed

"Five Finger Exercise," a drama by Peter Shaffer, will be performed by the Marshall University Theatre Nov. 15-18 at 8 p.m. in Old Main Auditorium.

First produced in London in 1958, "Five Finger Exercise" is one of Shaffer’s first plays and concerns the behavior of English society toward a young German whose father was a Nazi.

Dr. N. Bennett East, chairman of the MU Theatre/Dance Department and director of the play, said the work is considered the best contemporary problem play since works by Arthur Miller and Tennessee Williams.

Shaffer also wrote "Amadeus," "Equis," and "Black Comedy."

The Marshall University Theatre, currently in its 64th season, is one of the longest running university theatres in the Mid-Atlantic region.

Tickets for the performance will be $4 and will be available at the MU Box Office and at the door.

Placement Office moving

Marshall University’s Placement Services Office will be closed Friday, Nov. 10, in order to move to new facilities at the corner of 17th Street and Fifth Avenue, according to Reginald Spencer, placement director.

The center will reopen Monday, Nov. 13. The center’s telephone numbers will remain the same.

Spencer said faculty and staff members are invited to visit the new facilities. An official open house will be held early in 1990.
Outstanding students will be honored

Marshall University will hold its fifth annual Honors Weekend for outstanding black high school students on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 10-11.

The purpose of the event is to give recognition to outstanding black students from Tri-State area high schools, let them know Marshall is interested in them and encourage them to continue their educations, according to Kenneth E. Blue, associate dean for student affairs at Marshall.

Group purchasing toys

Marshall University’s Panhellenic Council has developed a project titled “Discovery Toys—Mission of Hope” to purchase Christmas toys for underprivileged children in the Huntington area.

Julie Rucker, a spokeswoman for the council, said the toys, which will be purchased through donations, will be educational items such as developmental and skill toys, games, books, puzzles and things that might provide enjoyment and learning opportunities.

The Panhellenic Council plans to sort, wrap and distribute the toys early in December.

Toys will be provided to children from infancy through 12 years of age who have been selected through the Huntington City Mission.

Ms. Rucker said the council is asking Marshall faculty and staff member for contributions to help purchase toys.

Persons who make contributions will receive a chance to win $100 worth of Discovery Toys.

Contributions can be sent to the Office of Greek Affairs in Memorial Student Center.

To obtain further details contact Julie Rucker, 523-4581, or Diane Allman, 525-8886.

Percussion Ensemble will present concert

Marshall University’s Percussion Ensemble will present another unusual concert on Thursday, Nov. 16, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

Under the direction of Dr. Ben Miller, the ensemble has gained national recognition for its unique performances which have included “Percuss-Aerobics” and “Chaumpin!” This year’s performance will demonstrate “How they do it.”

The concert will include a canon for three two-toned telephone books, a demonstration of body music and a serious memorial to Woody Woodpecker through the performance of “Music for Pieces of Wood” by minimalist composer Steve Reich.

To commemorate West Virginia’s ties with Espirito Santo, Brazil, through the Partners of the Americas, the ensemble will perform a traditional Brazilian samba.

The concert will be open to the public free of charge. Donations will be accepted to help the ensemble pay for instrument repairs.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Music Department, 696-3117.

Students, who were selected for recognition by their high school principals and counselors, will register and attend an open house from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Friday in Memorial Student Center.

Dr. John Walden, associate professor of family and community health at Marshall’s Medical School, will make a presentation for the students and discuss his medical education experiences in South America from 3 to 4 p.m. in Corbly Hall Room 117.

Parents will be invited to attend a reception at the home of Marshall University President Dale F. Nitzschke from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., while the students remain on campus with their hosts and hostesses.

Participants will attend an honors banquet at 7 p.m. Friday in the W. Don Morris Room in Memorial Student Center where the students will receive certificates and awards in recognition of their achievements.

All honor students who attend the activities will be offered financial awards if they enroll at Marshall and continue their records of academic achievement.

Dr. Betty J. Cleckley, Marshall’s new vice president for multicultural affairs, will be the guest speaker for the banquet.

Blue said that although Dr. Cleckley has not actually begun her tenure as vice president at Marshall, she wanted to come to campus for the Honors Weekend to try to motivate the students and encourage them to continue their educations and pursue their goals.

Following the banquet, there will be a disco featuring a special guest entertainer, movies and activities in the Memorial Student Center game area.

On Saturday from 9 to 10 a.m. participants will attend a breakfast with community leaders in Memorial Student Center.

From 10 to 11 a.m. students will participate in panel discussions about campus life and activities with current MU students. Parents will meet with university administrators to discuss concerns and learn what they can do to help their children prepare for college.

Parents and students will have the opportunity to meet with representatives from Marshall’s colleges and schools to discuss academic programs and requirements from 11 a.m. to noon.

Activities will culminate with the Marshall versus Western Carolina football game at 1:30 p.m. at Fairfield Stadium.

To obtain further details about Honors Weekend activities contact Kenneth E. Blue, associate dean for student affairs, 696-5430.

Two groups to perform

A joint concert by Marshall University’s Flute Ensemble and Symphonic Band will be presented Monday, Nov. 13, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

Under the direction of Wendell Dobbs and Michael McArtor, the concert will feature Marshall students and community musicians.

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

One of the nation’s leading geographers, Dr. Harm de Blij of the National Geographic Society, will speak at Marshall University Friday, Nov. 17. His appearance will be one of the highlights of the MU Department of Geography's observance of Geography Awareness Week.

Dr. Mack Gillenwater, professor of geography, said de Blij will deliver a public address at 1 p.m. Nov. 17 in Memorial Student Center's Don Morris Room. He said the Department of Geography also will celebrate the special week with an open house from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on both Nov. 16 and 17.

"Recent studies describe an appalling lack of geographic knowledge among citizens in a nation constantly called upon to provide international leadership," Gillenwater said. "To recognize the importance of geographic knowledge in an increasingly interdependent world, Congress has declared Nov. 15-21 as Geography Awareness Week."

In addition to directing the studies of more than 500 students, Marshall University geographers pursue varied research interests including urban and regional planning, Appalachian geography and world regional study, Gillenwater noted.

Dr. de Blij was appointed editor of the National Geographic Society's scholarly journal, "National Geographic Research," in 1984. He also holds a teaching appointment at the University of Miami and divides his time between Florida and Washington, D.C.

A native of the Netherlands, de Blij was educated in Europe, Africa and the United States, earning his doctoral degree from Northwestern University. He has conducted field research in several areas of the world, but the majority of his work has been in Africa. He is the author of 30 books.

Tapping ceremony set

The Tapping Ceremony for the 1989-90 pledge class of Omicron Delta Kappa national leadership honorary will be held Monday, Nov. 13, at 2 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge.

Twenty-five student leaders and six faculty/administrator inductees will be presented for membership, according to Dr. Don E. Robertson, associate dean of student affairs.

Faculty/administrator inductees are: Dr. Frances Hensley, Linda Holmes, Dr. Shirley A. Lumpkin, Dr. Warren Lutz, Dr. Richard Negangard, and Mary-Ann Thomas. All faculty and staff members are invited to attend the ceremony.

Personnel personal

Dr. Ronald L. Crosbie, associate professor in Marshall University's Division of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, and his wife, Peggy, of Huntington were selected as "Superparents" by the University of Kentucky.

As "Superparents," they represented all parents of University of Kentucky students and were honored during UK's Parents' Weekend celebration last weekend. They also were honored during the UK football game Saturday.

Their son, Scott, a sophomore pre-law major at UK, wrote an essay explaining why his parents should be selected as "Superparents" and they were chosen for the honor from all of the entries.

They have another son, Michael, who attended UK and currently attends the University of Central Florida, while working at Walt Disney World.

Library hours announced

Marshall University's James E. Morrow Library will be open from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 22.

It will be closed Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 23-25.

The library will resume regular hours on Sunday, Nov. 26.
MU geographers receive $10,400 grant

Marshall University geographers Margaret Gripshover and Christa A. Smith have been awarded a $10,400 historic preservation research grant from the Kentucky Heritage Council.

Ms. Gripshover, an assistant professor in the MU Geography Department, and Ms. Smith, a graduate assistant in the department, will serve as co-consultants for the project which will fund research for the Leslie County Tourism and Convention Commission and consist of an historic preservation survey of the Hyden, Ky., area.

The survey will provide historic contexts identifying the patterns and trends which will prove important in understanding the history and architecture of the Leslie County landscape, according to Ms. Gripshover.

When completed in February 1990, the report will include a list of documented properties suitable for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places and recommendations for future preservation efforts.

Ms. Gripshover is a doctoral candidate at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, with specializations in historical and rural geography.

She received her bachelor of science degree and master’s degree in geography from Marshall.

Ms. Smith received her bachelor’s degree in history from Marshall. She currently is a candidate for a master’s degree in the MU Geography Department.

She is president of Gamma Theta Upsilon geography honorary society at Marshall and plans to pursue a doctoral degree in geography.

Both women have been actively involved in several historic preservation planning and economic development projects in West Virginia and Kentucky.

“The awarding of this grant is representative of the strong research commitment in the Department of Geography at Marshall University to historic preservation planning and economic development in the Tri-State area,” said Dr. Howard G. Adkins, chairman of the Geography Department.

Faculty exhibit planned

Works from several Marshall University Art Department faculty members will be exhibited in Birke Art Gallery Nov. 20 through Dec. 8.

There will be a reception for the artists Nov. 20 from 7 to 9 p.m. in Birke Art Gallery.

Faculty members who will have works in the exhibit include Earline Allen, Michael Cornfeld, Robert Hutton, Robert Rowe, Shahnaz Shahriar, Stan Sporny, Peter Massing, Cynthia Taylor, Barbara Lansdale, Charles Sepolcha, Larry Barton, Clara Schlegel, Pat Chapman, Jack Rife, Mary Grassell, and Jim Marsh.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Art Department, 696-6760.

Cleveland Opera will perform various songs

The Cleveland Opera will perform “Puttin’ on the Ritz” for the Marshall Artists Series on Tuesday, Nov. 14, at 8 p.m. at the Keith-Albee Theatre.

The show is a fully-staged collaboration of operatic arias and Broadway show tunes, with works from Mozart to Sondheim, according to Celeste Winters Nunley, Marshall Artists Series director.

To obtain tickets or further details contact the Marshall Artists Series Office, 696-6656.