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# MU to offer screening for eating disorders

Marshall University will join hundreds of colleges across the country as it participates in the second annual National Eating Disorders Screening Program Feb. 24 and 25, according to Andy Hermansdorfer, director of student activities and Greek affairs at MU.

"The National Eating Disorders Screening Program is a public outreach effort designed to educate students about the serious

consequences of eating disorders," Hermansdorfer said. "It provides students with the opportunity to hear an educational presentation on eating disorders, complete a screening questionnaire and meet one-on-one with a health care professional."

The screenings will be held Tuesday, Feb. 24 from 12:30 to 3 p.m. and Wednesday, Feb. 25 from 10 a.m. to noon and from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Shawkey Room of the MU Me-

morial Student Center. They are being conducted during the national Eating Disorders Awareness Week, held Feb. 23 - 28.

"All screenings are free and anonymous," Hermansdorfer said. "Those who show symptoms of an eating disorder will be encouraged to make an appointment for a full evaluation."

Eating disorders are illnesses that are associated with severe body image distortion and an obsession with weight. Sufferers are terrified of gaining weight and continue to diet, binge, or binge and purge even as their mental and physical health deteriorates.

"In addition to depression and substance abuse disorders, victims of eating disorders can also develop heart problems, osteoporosis and reproductive difficulties," Hermansdorfer said. "Left unchecked, eating disorders can kill."

"Students are encouraged to bring a friend if they are concerned about his or her eating behavior," he added.

The National Eating Disorders Screening Program is sponsored by Marshall University's Panhellenic Council sororities, Student Health Education Programs and Women's Center. For more information contact Allison Swick, 696-2283, in the MU Office of Student Activities and Greek Affairs.

## Noted Appalachian scholars to participate in CSEGA panel

Marshall University's Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Gender in Appalachia (CSEGA) will sponsor a panel entitled "The Cutting Edge: A Critical Look at Appalachian Studies" on Wednesday, Feb. 25 at 4 p.m. in Smith Hall Room 154 on the MU campus, according to Lynda Ann Ewen, CSEGA co-director.

"We are pleased to have four leading scholars participate in this panel discussion," Ewen said. "Together they will provide a unique insight about a variety of topics regarding Appalachian studies."

Members of the panel will include:

**Dr. Wilma A. Dunaway**, sociologist and author of the award-winning book "The First American Frontier: Transition to Capitalism in Southern Appalachia, 1700-1860."

**Dr. John H. Hennen**, assistant professor of history at Morehead State University and author of the award winning book "The

Americanization of West Virginia: Creating a Modern Industrial State, 1916-1925."

**Dr. Gordon B. McKinney**, Goode Professor of Appalachian Studies, Director of Appalachian Center at Berea College and co-author of "The Guide to the Zebulon Baird Vance Papers."

**Dr. Linda Tate**, CSEGA Fellow, associate professor of English at Shepherd College and author of "A Southern Weave of Women: Fiction of the Contemporary South."

Marshall University's Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Gender in Appalachia is funded by a \$250,000 Rockefeller Foundation Grant for the Humanities. It is dedicated to filling the void of research about ethnicity and gender in Appalachia.

The panel is free and open to the public. Contact Mary Thomas, 696-3348, for more information.

## Graduate College offers waivers

Applications for a limited number of graduate tuition waivers for Marshall University's summer terms will be accepted through Friday, April 3, according to Graduate College Dean Leonard Deutsch.

"In line with the West Virginia Board of Trustees Policy Bulletin 49, priority will be given to faculty and staff of the state's colleges and universities and to West Virginia students," Deutsch said. "A small number of waivers will be awarded to non-resident students."

Academic merit will be the major consideration in awarding the waivers, which cover tuition. Student activity fees must be paid by the recipient.

"Academic merit will be determined by grade point average and Graduate Record Examination scores," Deutsch said.

Students must list their GRE or GMAT scores in order to be eligible for consider-

ation. Up to three hours of waivers for graduate course work will be awarded to qualified applicants.

Students interested in a Board of Trustees tuition waiver based on financial need criteria should contact the Graduate College for the appropriate form. Depending on their grade point average, students may be awarded up to six hours of waivers.

"Students who previously held waivers must reapply to be considered for the summer term waivers," Deutsch said. "Those students who are awarded waivers will be notified by mail."

Approved waivers may be picked up beginning Friday, April 17. Waivers not claimed by Friday, May 1 will be assigned to other qualified applicants.

For more information about the waivers, or to pick up application forms, contact the Graduate College office, 696-6606.

## Excused absences...

These students have received university excused absences for the dates indicated:

Feb. 16-18: Lisa Bartrum, Marcie E. Hatfield and Jessica Johnson.

Feb. 17: Michelle Collins, Andrew Webb, Doug Youathan, Jessica Johnson, Janessa Spence, Melissa Wolverton, Katharine Koon, Gerald Garner, Linda Linville, James Gullett, Elizabeth Saul, Gina Ruggier,

Brian Young, Kari Waugh, Daniel Cartwright, Michael Coffey, Ryan Mallo, Aaron Adams, Nicholas D. Goff, Kevin Atkins, Michael Fleming, Scott Meadows, Michael Sullivan, Kizzy Reed, Jason Reed, Karen Nelson, Paul Minigh, Ada Meade, Christi Gore, Jeremy Elson, Lucas Hose, Kimberly Wilson, Travis Johnson, Will Sexton and Chessis Rhodes.

## Letter of appreciation

Dear MU faculty and staff:

Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers in memory of Bob Bianchinotti. Your kindness has meant so much during this difficult time.

Carolyn Brammer  
Jason Bianchinotti

# MU NEWSLETTER

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## Marshall athletics 'Going for the Gold'

Borrowing a phrase from the Olympics, Marshall University is "Going for the Gold."

Expanded seating capacity for Marshall Stadium, a new baseball park, improved and additional women's sports and new recreation and fitness facilities for the general student population are among the highlights of a five-year, \$15 million "Going for the Gold" athletics improvement program announced Feb. 18 by Marshall President J. Wade Gilley.

"During the past few years, Marshall has been able to raise \$29 million to build the nation's most advanced library, invest more than \$100 million in new and renovated academic facilities and raise more than \$10 million for additional academic scholarships," Gilley said.

"Now is the time to turn our attention to elevating our athletic program to new heights nationally," he added. "We have entered the Mid-American Conference, competed successfully in Division I-A foot-

ball and are on track to be competitive in many other sports. This new effort will ensure that Marshall will be competitive at the highest level of NCAA Division I-A as we enter the 21st Century."

The "Going for the Gold" plan calls for:

- A \$5 million-plus renovation and upgrading of Henderson Center's basketball arena. Bids for this previously-announced project are scheduled to be opened Feb. 26.

- A \$4 million investment in improving Marshall Stadium, adding 10,000 to 15,000 seats and installing new artificial turf.

- Some \$800,000 worth of new sports and fitness facilities for the general student body.

- \$1.6 million to improve programs and facilities for women's athletics, including the addition of new sports — soccer and, perhaps, crew.

- A \$1 million investment in a Marshall University-City of Huntington baseball park.

- \$1 million in endowed athletic scholarships.

- \$1.6 million for additional, still-to-be-

defined improvements. Gilley said this will give the university flexibility to address opportunities and needs as they arise between now and 2002.

John Hess, president of the Big Green Scholarship Foundation, said he was pleased with the plan. "This new endeavor will allow us to compete at the highest level of NCAA Division I athletics, as well as maintain the university's commitment to the overall welfare of the student-athlete," Hess said. "As we head into our second year of membership in the Mid-American Conference, the commitments from the university, our fans and alumni must continue to match that of our athletic goals."

To help finance the improvements, Marshall is launching an \$8 million "Going for the Gold" fund-raising campaign over the next five years. Goals include:

- \$5 million in private gifts for facility improvements and endowed scholarships.

- Almost \$1 million in new revenues from gate receipts as Marshall facilities, programs and competitiveness improve.

- Some \$2.7 million in increased giving to the Big Green Scholarship Foundation for support of annual operations. This includes

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## Pelphrey named Employee of the Month for February

Nancy Pelphrey of Huntington, program assistant I in the Office of Alumni Affairs, has been selected Marshall University Employee of the Month for February, according to Bill Burdette, chairman of the selection committee.



Pelphrey

Pelphrey has been at Marshall for 10 years. She was nominated for the award by Linda Holmes, executive director of alumni affairs.

"Nancy is an excellent employee that brings a work ethic second to none and an effervescent personality to the Alumni Office," Holmes said. "She is in touch with

alumni and friends on a daily basis, assisting in requests and planning alumni events.

"She is bright, self-motivated and possesses interpersonal skills that make her one of Marshall University's finest ambassadors," Holmes added.

"The best testimony to her pleasing, helpful demeanor is the compliments I receive about her from alumni clubs across the country. It is a pleasure to work with such a talented individual."

Pelphrey 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.

## Basketball arena bids open Feb. 26

Marshall University will open bids on a major renovation of its 17-year-old basketball arena in Henderson Center, Thursday, Feb. 26, at 3 p.m. in the office of Purchasing Director William J. Shondel.

The project is expected to begin in early March, immediately after completion of the 1997-98 basketball season and be completed before the opening of the 1998-99 season.

All of the lower level seats will be replaced with permanent, wider and better quality seats. Additional bleacher seats will be added in the corners of the arena, also. The current lower level seats are on retractable platforms, based on the facility's origi-

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# MU Police Department launches web site

In order to better serve the campus community, the Marshall University Police Department has created a web page located on the university web site, according to Cpl. Greg Pickens, officer in the Department of Public Safety.

"The page was created to provide information about the department, its mission and services," Pickens said. "We will also be posting crime prevention tips and upcoming programs."

By clicking on the Crime Prevention button on the MU home page, an individual can locate information ranging from "How to be Safe" and "Personal Safety" to tips on preventing bicycle and book theft.

The most recent addition to the crime pre-

vention section is the Silent Witness Form. "By accessing this form, an individual can provide our department with information they may have about a crime," Pickens said.

Direct contact with the department is still the preferred method of reporting a crime, but Pickens said the Silent Witness Form is a viable option. "We believe the form will give those individuals who wish to remain anonymous the opportunity to help the investigation," he said. If the person reporting the information wants to be contacted by the MUPD, they can also enter their personal information on the page.

A Residence Hall Safety section of the web site includes general crime prevention

advice for those who live in the dorms. There is also information on how to handle nuisance telephone calls and tips on fire safety.

The MUPD web site was brought online in January and additional pages are in production. These new pages will include crime alerts, emergency phone locations, university crime statistics and additional crime prevention tips and programs.

It can be located at [www.marshall.edu/mupd](http://www.marshall.edu/mupd) or by clicking on campus units on the Marshall University web page and then clicking the letter M for Marshall University Public Safety. For more information, contact Greg Pickens in the Department of Public Safety, 696-4357.

# Marshall athletics 'Going for the Gold'

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expanding the Big Green memberships to 3,000 by 2002. The support organization now has 1,750 members, including some 300 new members since the end of the 1997 football season.

"The announcement of this fund-raising campaign, 'Going for the Gold,' is a vision that over the next five years will help all of our student-athletes to excel both in the classroom and on the playing field," Director of Athletics Lance West said.

In line with the five-year program, Marshall has employed Charles "Chuck" Neinas, former executive director of the College Football Association, as a consultant to make recommendations on improving the

overall football program.

Architects have already completed plans for the Henderson Center renovations and currently are assessing strategies for improvements to Marshall Stadium. And the university is cooperating with Huntington officials and others to find an appropriate site for a new baseball park.

Also in line with the five-year program, the university is planning a self-study leading to re-certification of the athletic program, including issues such as gender equity. Marshall was one of the first 50 institutions to attain certification in 1995 when the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) initiated the certification process.

Gilley said West will head the overall athletics improvement effort. The fund-raising campaign will be directed by Frank P. Justice, the retired Ashland, Inc. executive who carried out the successful library fund-raising effort over the past two years. Justice will work with Rick Thompson, associate vice president for athletic development and executive director of the Big Green Scholarship Foundation, and volunteers from the foundation's board of directors.

"Each of Marshall's 16 NCAA Division I programs will benefit from this five-year plan," Thompson said. "The interest and support shown from our alumni, fans and friends has allowed us to be aggressive in our planning. This new plan will allow us to maintain our momentum within the Marshall family as well as the NCAA and restructuring over the same time frame."

"While this program is ambitious, we simply have to look at the Marshall community's outstanding successes over the past few years in building the library, modernizing the entire campus and raising money for academic scholarships to realize that, working together, we will succeed," Gilley said.

## Letter of appreciation

Dear MU faculty and staff:

Thank you for your kindness and support following the death of my husband, Clyde C. Perry II.

Sincerely,  
Newatha Perry

# MU faculty and staff achievements

RANDY BOBBITT, assistant professor in the W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications, will be included in the 1998 edition of "Who's Who Among America's College Teachers." He was nominated by CHRISTA STEWART, a student in the journalism school.

THOMAS A. LOVINS, director of recreational sports, SHARON STANTON, assistant director of recreational sports and TARA SAVILLE, graduate assistant in the department, attended the Mid-American Conference's Recreational Sports Director's Workshop, held Jan. 29 -30 at Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green, Ky. This conference included an in-depth discussion and review of recreational sports

programs and facilities in the conference and issues of concern.

Dr. STEVEN CODY, associate professor in the Department of Psychiatry, is one of 43 runners from the U.S. and Canada heading for France to participate in the Paris Marathon on April 5. The runners are members of Fred's Team, established in honor of the late Fred Lebow, founder of the New York Marathon, to support the Aubrey Fund for pediatric cancer research.

CODY has the task of raising at least \$3000 for the Aubrey Fund. Contributors often donate some amount for each of the 26.2 miles of the marathon (e.g. \$1 per mile totals \$26.20), but any amount is appreciated. Contributions can be sent to CODY at

the Department of Psychiatry via campus mail, and checks should be made to Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center.

MARIE MANILLA, assistant professor in the Department of English, was presented the \$1,000 Lawrence Foundation Award for her short story entitled "Amnesty." MANILLA has also been awarded first place in the West Virginia Playwright's Competition twice in her career.

LINDA P. ROWE, director of judicial programs in the Office of Student Affairs, presented two programs at the annual conference of the Association for Student Judicial Affairs, held Feb. 6 - 10 in Clearwater Beach, Fla. ROWE and co-presenter Carla Krause of West Virginia Wesleyan College conducted a pre-conference workshop entitled "Judicial Sanctions and Developmental Steps: A Model Training Program" on Feb. 6. She was also one of three ASJA members invited to present a panel discussion entitled "Judicial Affairs: Past Practice, Present Dilemmas, and Future Possibilities" on Feb. 7.

# MU president's aide retires

Marilyn L. Frame, senior administrative aide in the President's Office, retired from Marshall University on Feb. 1 after 27 years of service, according to MU President J. Wade Gilley.



Frame

"During her tenure Marilyn Frame performed a variety of duties for Marshall University," Gilley said. "She was a valuable asset to the President's Office and we will miss her a great deal."

Frame has worked for the university since July 1970 and in May, 1993 became one of the first recipients of the Marshall University Employee of the Month Award. She was nominated for the award by Dr. Robert B. Hayes, MU president emeritus.

"Marilyn served in the President's Office

for four university presidents and three interim presidents," Hayes said. "She is a conscientious person who has demonstrated the highest degree of commitment and loyalty to Marshall University."

Frame said that watching MU grow throughout the years has been one of her most enjoyable experiences. "It has been wonderful to see Marshall expand in so many different areas," she said. "I am fortunate to have been a small part of the university's progression into the 21st century."

Frame was also an excellent ambassador for the university, Gilley said. "As senior administrative aide for the president, Marilyn was required to interact with hundreds of people who contacted the office," he said. "She is very tactful and well liked."

Marilyn Frame and her husband, John Bruce Frame II, reside in Barboursville. They are the parents of two grown children: John Frame III and Jerry Frame.

# Faculty Senate to meet Feb. 26

The MU Faculty Senate will meet Thursday, Feb. 26 at 4 p.m. in the John Marshall Room of the Memorial Student Center, according to Corley F. Dennison, president of the senate.

The agenda will include: a report from MU President J. Wade Gilley, announcements, an ACF report, an Ad Hoc Constitutional Review Committee report and a report from the Graduate Council.

Four standing committee recommendations will also be considered to approve the following: one recommendation dealing

with the completion date of each E-course; one recommending approval of recipients for Honorary Degrees at the 1998 Commencement; one recommending approval of Interim Executive Policy Bulletin #13 (E-Courses) as amended, and one recommending that the decision to suspend the program in Computer Science and Software Development be rescinded pending full review by the Faculty Senate and the Academic Planning Committee.

For more information, contact the Faculty Senate office, 696-4376.

# Basketball arena bids open Feb. 26

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nal "multi-purpose" theme, and they tend to "rock" from side to side. The new seats will be built on fixed risers, similar to the seating in Marshall Stadium.

MU President J. Wade Gilley said funds for the project — expected to cost about \$5 million — are already in hand from a bond issue sold last fall. Money from the bonds also will be used in the construction of the new Jomie Jazz Center to be added to the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center.

The arena project also includes replacement of the structure's floor, more handicapped accessible areas, more exits doors, improved lighting, a sprinkler system and an emergency generator. A 5,000-square-foot reception area will be created under the north seats and a Hall of Fame room will be built under the south seats, Gilley said. A

new walkway will enable fans to move from one side of the building to the other, inside the arena.

The plan calls for new bleachers behind the baskets and the addition of 512 bleacher seats in the four corners of the arena. Even with those additional seats, total seating capacity will decline from 10,250 to 9,043 because the better, theater style permanent seats will take up more space than those being replaced.

Gilley said plans are being considered for an expansion of the east end of the arena which would add 1,128 seats. That may take place later, depending on demand, he said.

"We are excited about this project," Gilley said. "It will provide Marshall with an outstanding facility for intercollegiate basketball and we believe Thundering Herd fans will be delighted with the results."

# Editor needed for MUGC bulletin

The Marshall University Graduate College is seeking a faculty member to edit the Research and Creative Arts Bulletin, according to Graduate College Dean Leonard Deutsch.

"This position includes annual data collection, resulting in a compendium of faculty citations issued once every three years," Deutsch said. "Most of the editing work can be done during the summer."

The stipend for the editing position is \$3,500 per year. Applicants must have solid layout and computer skills with programs such as word processing, Adobe Pagemaker and Netscape for access to Internet sites.

Formal applications specifying interest, experience and qualifications should be submitted to Dr. Deutsch in the Graduate School by April 2, 1998.

## Letter of appreciation

Dear MU faculty and staff:

The family of Roger Fairchild would like to thank all of those for their effort and support during this difficult time.