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MU faculty and staff achievements

JONATHAN BROWN, director of learning resources in the School of Nursing, Dr. DAVID S. MALLORY, associate professor in the Department of Biology, and Dr. SUZANNE G. STRAIT-HOLMAN, associate professor in the Department of Biology, received a \$19,000 software award from A.D.A.M. Software, Inc. to further enhance the educational experience for more than 750 MU students. With this grant, 10 copies of "A.D.A.M. Interactive Anatomy" will be available online for classroom and laboratory use and for use by students 24 hours a day. Additionally, interactive physiology modules and interactive fundamentals of radiology will be available.

Dr. BEVERLY DELIDOW, assistant professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, presented a paper entitled "Glucocorticoid Inhibition of 235-1 Pituitary Tumor Cell Cycle" at the Winter Gordon Conference on Prolactin which took place in Ventura, Ca-

lif. on Feb. 1-6. She also presented the paper at the Experimental Biology meetings, which took place in San Francisco, April 19-22. Dr. Delidow was chosen by the Endocrine Society to participate in their academic enrichment program for minority institutions of higher education, and she presented a short course in Endocrinology at Taledega College in Taledega, Ala.

Dr. CHRISTOPHER DOLMETSCH, professor in the Department of Modern Languages, has contributed a review of "The German Page at the University of California-San Diego: Literature" (URL: <http://gort.ucsd.edu/rsonn/wesslit.html>) to a special supplement of CHOICE (Current Reviews for Academic Libraries): Web II: Supplement to Volume 35 (1998), p. 88-89.

Dr. HOWARD R. D. GORDON, professor in the Department of Adult and Technical Education had a book entitled "The History and Growth of Vocational Education in

America" published by Allyn & Bacon (Simon and Schuster). It will be used primarily by colleges and universities offering graduate degree programs in Vocational and Technical Education in the United States and Canada. A summary of the book can be accessed via the Internet at www.abacon.com.

DWIGHT JENSEN, associate professor in the W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications, wrote 17 articles during the summer for publication by Salem Press in Pasadena, Calif.

Eleven of the articles are about the law and are to be published in "Magill's Legal Guide." The other six articles are about philosophy and will be published in a refereed work about that topic.

JENSEN has also written articles that will be included in the just-announced "Encyclopedia of Television News," edited by Michael D. Murray and published by Oryx Press.

Dr. MICHAEL MOORE, professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, attended a conference at Lake Tahoe, Nevada, March 29-April 2, on the topic "nuclear hormone receptors." He presented a paper about Progesterone effects on c-myc expression and proliferation of T47D human breast cancer cells. Co-authors of this paper are Kristy Blankenship, who received her Ph.D. at the May commencement and is presently a postdoctoral fellow at University of Louisville School of Medicine, and Misty Trent, a second year medical student.

Dr. RICHARD M. NILES, professor and chair of the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, was invited to conduct seminars on "The Role of Vitamin A in Melanoma Growth and Differentiation" at the National Cancer Institute in Bethesda, MD, Wake Forest University School of Medicine (Comprehensive Cancer Center), in Winston-Salem, North Carolina and Washington State University (Pharmaceutical Sciences), in Pullman, Wash. His research is supported by grants from the National Institutes of Health and the American Institute for Cancer Research.

Dr. VERNON REICHENBECHER, associate professor of biochemistry and molecular biology, and his graduate student, Roger Boggs, recently authored a manuscript, "Increased Expression of Complement Component C3 in the Plasma of Obese Zucker fa and LA/N faf Rats Compared with Their Lean Counterparts," which was accepted for publication in the journal "Obesity Research." Part of this work was performed in collaboration with Dr. Bowie Kahle from the Department of Biological Sciences and Dr. William McCumbee from the Department of Physiology.

Richard Moore named chair of criminal justice department

Marshall University recently appointed Dr. Richard Moore, a forensic science specialist, as chair of the Criminal Justice Department.



Moore

Moore, who came to Marshall from Penn State in 1995, said he originally came to Marshall because he was "attracted by President Gilley's vision of what a university needs to be."

"Marshall University is an interactive uni-

versity that is committed to high quality education at affordable costs for everyone," Moore said. "I believe Marshall University has a wonderful and exciting future."

"Marshall is far better equipped than most schools" to conduct forensic research, he said.

Moore also has extensive experience teaching undergraduate and graduate courses in the areas of juvenile justice, corrections, advanced statistics and research methods.

Marshall University's Master of Science in Criminal Justice is the only graduate degree program in criminal justice offered in West Virginia, and will celebrate its twenty-fifth anniversary next year.

University yard sale set for October

The Fall sale of surplus equipment and supplies will be held the week of Oct. 5, according to William J. Shondel, director of purchasing and materials management.

Departments that have equipment and supplies to sell must send a memo listing the items and also their Org code to Carol Skaggs, manager of central receiving.

Each item or box must be tagged "yard sale."

All material will be on display for faculty, staff, students and the general public on Monday and Tuesday, October 5-6, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Sorrell Maintenance

building, 20th St. and 3rd Avenue and also the storage facility located on 5 1/2 Ave. off 20th. St. (behind Steiner's Co.). All items will be sold "as is-where is" with no guarantee as to condition.

Written bids will be accepted from interested individuals until 5 p.m. on Tuesday, October 6, when the bids will be sorted and tabulated in the Purchasing office. Individuals with the highest bids will be contacted by telephone.

Successful bidders will be expected to pay for and pick up purchases by 4 p.m. on Friday, October 9.

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Sam E. Clagg Scholarship established

Dr. Sam E. Clagg, a well-known figure at Marshall University for more than half a century, has established an endowed scholarship for members of the Marshall Thundering Herd football team.



Clagg

The recipient of the Sam E. Clagg Endowed Scholarship must be a full-time student who is an active participant in the university's football program and in good academic standing as defined by NCAA requirements.

The first Clagg scholarship recipient will be named by Marshall's Athletic Scholarship Committee next fall.

"Sam Clagg is one individual who truly represents Marshall," said Carolyn Hunter, vice president of alumni development at MU.

"Whenever I travel and meet alumni, everyone knows or knows about Sam Clagg," Hunter said. "His loyalty to Marshall is unquestionable. He views Marshall University with the highest regard. "Sam Clagg is Marshall."

A member of the Department of Geography faculty from 1948 until his retirement in 1986, Clagg was chairman of the department from 1961 to 1986 and served as acting university president from 1983 to 1984.

He is also a retired lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Marine Corps, serving in combat at Peleliu and Okinawa during World War II.

Clagg, a former Marshall football captain coached by Cam Henderson, later served as coach to the football and wrestling teams.

He has published 12 books, including "The Cam Henderson Story His Life and Times, The Marine Way," and atlases of West Virginia, Ohio and Virginia. Many of his journal articles and maps have been published, and Clagg's description of West Virginia appeared in the Encyclopedia Britannica from 1974 to 1989.

Clagg has received many other awards including: the John Deaver Drinko Symposium Scholar Award; MU Athletic Hall of Fame; Distinguished MU Alumnus Award, and Outstanding Educator in America.

Nominations accepted for WV 'Professor of the Year'

The Faculty Merit Foundation of West Virginia is accepting nominations for the 1998 "Professor of the Year" award - which includes a \$10,000 tax-free cash award for the winner.

"The professor of the year program gives everyone, including the general public, the opportunity to recognize the outstanding achievements of our state's higher education mentors," said Governor Cecil H. Underwood.

Nominees are judged on teaching abilities, student evaluations, academic credentials and community service.

Two runners-up will receive \$1,000 each at a banquet to be held early in 1999. The cash awards, made possible through donations from Columbia Gas Transmission and other corporations and individuals in the state, recognize outstanding faculties on the state's campus.

Nomination forms for the "Professor of the Year" award are available in the Office of Academic Affairs, Old Main 110.

Deadline is Oct. 30, 1998, and applicants may be nominated by college administrators, faculty peers students or former students.

For more information about the "Professor of the Year" award, contact the Office of Academic Affairs, 696-5442.

Dedication held for Robert C. Byrd Academic and Technology Center



Sen. Robert C. Byrd (left) was the guest of honor during the August 12 dedication of the Robert C. Byrd Academic and Technology Center at the MU Graduate College in South Charleston. Among the attendees were Gov. Cecil H. Underwood (center) and MU President J. Wade Gilley (right).

Funeral held for A. Mervin Tyson

Dr. A. Mervin Tyson, professor emeritus of English at MU, died in Tampa, Fla. on July 26, 1998, at age 87. A native of Red Lion, Pa., Dr. Tyson served as a dedicated faculty member and employee of Marshall for 18 years.

He earned a bachelors degree from Gettysburg College, Pa. where he was a Phi Beta Kappa, and went on to earn a masters degree from the University of Michigan and a Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania.

In 1959, after several years of teaching, he came to Marshall as professor and chairman of the Department of English.

While at Marshall, Tyson served in several administrative positions including: pro-

RCBI joins Chamber of Commerce program

Marshall University's Robert C. Byrd Institute for Advanced Flexible Manufacturing (RCBI) is the newest member of the Huntington Regional Chamber of Commerce's "School-to-Work Powerful Partner Program," according to Charlotte N. Weber, RCBI director.

The program provides students in the Cabell County area work-based learning experiences through job shadowing, guest speakers, guided tours, apprenticeships, internships and mentorships.

"Students participating in the program are informed about real-life work place situations and how to deal with them," Weber said.

"The program also enhances students' general learning and will help them make a

successful transition into the work force with more ease and less expense than in-house training.

"The School-to-Work program will help create a pool of technically trained workers," she said. "Its mission is similar to that of our institute, and we are pleased to be a partner in this worthwhile program."

The Robert C. Byrd Institute's primary goal is to develop a just-in-time, quality supply base for the U.S. Department of Defense.

For more information regarding RCBI's involvement with the Huntington Chamber of Commerce's "School-to-Work Powerful Partner Program," contact Heather McKinney, RCBI technical specialist, at (304) 696-4874, 1-800-469-7224 or e-mail at hmckinne@rcbi.org.

Cisco Local Academy begins classes

Marshall University's Community and Technical College became one of the first community colleges in the nation to offer an Internet networking curriculum when its Cisco Local Networking Academy began fall courses August 24 at the MU Huntington campus.

"There are over 300,000 vacant technology jobs in America right now," said Michael Simmons, director of the Marshall Technology Institute and administrator for the Cisco Academies program at MU. "Networking skills are at a premium, and this Cisco training will add tremendous value to a Marshall degree."

As a Cisco Local Networking Academy, Marshall will prepare students to design, build and maintain networks serving schools and businesses.

Cisco will certify those students who complete the training and pass the Cisco Certi-

fied Networking Associate examination.

"We are proud to be among the first Cisco Local Networking Academies in the nation to integrate the Cisco curriculum into college level courses," said Dr. Betty Kyger, Provost of the Marshall Community and Technical College. "Interest in the program has been high and we expect these students to find immediate success in the workforce upon graduation."

The Cisco curriculum is the focus of the Network Systems Development option of the associate degree in computer technology. Students who complete the courses will receive credit toward an associate degree in computer technology from the Marshall Community and Technical College.

For more information about the Cisco programs, contact the Marshall Technology Institute at (304) 696-3325 or visit MTI on the Internet at www.marshall.edu/mti.

gional Council for International Education; the Commission on College and Universities, North Central Association; Modern Language Association; National Council, Teachers of English; National Education Association; American Association of University Professors, and the Association for Higher Education.

In 1977, Tyson retired as vice president of academic affairs and continued to serve the university as official publications editor and liaison with the North Central Accrediting Association. He became a published author when his 1952 Ph.D. thesis dissertation, "Every Woman in Her Humor: A Critical Edition," was published in 1980 by Garland Publishing, Inc. The dissertation was included in Garland Publishing's second series of volumes dealing with Elizabethan drama. Tyson's study dealt with the minor comedy, examining authorship sources and history of the play.

Later, he was given the title of Honorary Alumnus of Marshall University and on May 7, 1983, he was bestowed the honorary degree of Doctor of Humanities for his long record of service, his achievements and his dedication to interests of mankind.

For three years, he successfully served on behalf of Marshall University on the North Central Accreditation Committee on Colleges and Universities, when the university was up for its 10-year reaccreditation.

A World War II veteran who served with the U.S. Army Air Corps as a staff sergeant cryptographer, Tyson was an active member of the Huntington community.

He served as past president of the Huntington Kiwanis Club and was an active member of the First United Methodist Church in Huntington, where he taught adult bible class for 16 years.

Turner receives degree

Virginia Campbell-Turner, purchasing assistant II in the Department of Purchasing and Materials Management, recently received a degree from the Certified Business Management Institute at the University of Kentucky.

Campbell-Turner has been employed at Marshall for over 12 years and is the second in the Purchasing Department to graduate from the three-year program. Stephanie Smith received her degree last year.



Campbell-Turner

Fourteen students receive Thesis Awards

Dr. Leonard J. Deutsch, dean of the graduate school, announced that 14 students were recipients of the Thesis Research Awards for summer 1998. The research awards afford an opportunity for students to conduct research and make progress in writing their theses.

The following students were recipients of Thesis Research Awards for summer 1998:

- J. Adam Noah (BSC, Dr. Bowie Kahle, advisor) won the A. Mervin Tyson Award, \$600. His thesis subject is "Differences in Skeletal Muscle Myoblasts of Lean and Obese LA/N^{fa} Rats";

- John Campbell (BSC, Dr. Thomas Pauley, advisor) was the recipient of the Paul and Rachel Stewart Award, \$550, for "Effects of...calcium carbonate to streams on the salamanders in the genus *Desmognathus*...in the Westvaco Forest."

The following award winners received \$500:

- Gregory Hunter (BSC, Dr. Dan Evans),

the Hemlepp Family Thesis Research Award for "Medicinal Plants of a Southern Appalachian Herbal Doctor";

- Paul Marcum (BSC, Dr. Dan Evens) the Hemlepp Family Thesis Research Award for "Clarification of the Hybrid Origin of *Carex X deamii* (Sedge Family)";

- Lateef Saffore (BSC, Dr. Charles Somerville) the Jarrett-Maszal Thesis Research Award for "Comparing Genetic and Phenotypic Methods for Differentiating Strains of *Escherichia coli* from the Environment";

- Curtis Adkins (Music, Dr. Paul Balshaw), the William and Lynda McAllister Thesis Research Award for "Educational Resource Guide for the Study of Classical Guitar";

- Jennifer Wykle (BSC, Dr. Mary Etta Hight), the Elizabeth and Scott Appell-Sheets Thesis Research Award for "The Status of the coyote, *Canis latrans*, in West Virginia";

MU second in nation in primary care

The Marshall University School of Medicine has the nation's second-highest percentage of graduates entering practice in the primary care specialties, according to figures released by the Association of American Medical Colleges.

For the three-year period studied, 45.96 percent of Marshall's graduates entered careers in family practice, general internal medicine and pediatrics. Mercer University led with 51.78 percent, and the University of South Alabama and Wright State University closely trailed Marshall with 45.83 and 45.8 percent, respectively.

Marshall's graduates enter primary care specialties at a rate more than 50 percent above the national average, which is 30 percent. This marks the second time MU has held the No. 2 slot nationally.

"We are extraordinarily pleased, but not surprised," said Dr. Charles H. McKown Jr., dean of the School of Medicine. "We pride

ourselves on the cost effective production of fine primary care physicians, and this tells us we're getting the job done."

Other school ranking in the top 10 are Michigan State University, the University of South Dakota, the University of Washington, East Tennessee State University, the University of Minnesota and the University of North Dakota.

The AAMC rankings also showed MU above the national average in the percentage of 1997 graduates planning to practice in state: 68 percent of Marshall graduates with stated plans said they want to remain in state, compared to 60 percent nationally.

This is the second time this year Marshall has been recognized for its strength in primary care. The school also received a Bronze Award from the American Academy of Family Physicians in recognition of having more than 20 percent of its graduates enter residencies in family practice.

Award nominations due September 30

The selection committee for the Marshall and Shirley Reynolds Outstanding Teacher Award is accepting nominations from students, faculty and alumni, according to Frances S. Hensley, associate vice president for academic affairs.

Eligible faculty members must be engaged in teaching and be on a full-time appointment at or above the rank of assistant professor, with at least three years of service at MU.

Nominations for the award, which in-

cludes a \$ 3,000 cash prize, can be made in a short, dated letter stating the nominee's name and department, along with the reasons for making the nomination.

The committee cannot accept anonymous nominations, so legible signatures should be included on the nomination letters.

Nominations should be sent to: The Reynolds Committee, c/o Frances Hensley, Academic Affairs Office, Old Main 110, by Sept. 30, 1998.

- Rebekah L. Jones (History, Dr. David Mills), The Sturms Family Thesis Research Award for "Egyptian-Israeli Relations: The Road to Peace in the Middle East?";

- Misty Simpson (BSC, Dr. Mary Etta Hight) the Elmer and Maria Asbury Thesis Research Award for "Distribution and Composition of the Short-tailed Shrew (*Blarina*) in West Virginia";

- Pam Bailey (BSC, Dr. Dan Evans) the Charles and Chuck Crow Award for "A Medicinal Plant Survey in Marketplaces of Ecuador";

- Steven Foster (BSC, Dr. Charles Somerville) for "Determining Phylogenetic Relatedness Between the Northern Pike (*Esox lucius*), muskellunge (*E. masquinongy*), and Silver Pike";

- Mindy Hamilton (BSC, Dr. Thomas Pauley) for "Natural History and Ecology of Salamanders in Headwater Streams Associated with Developmental Activities";

- Brenda Pinkerman (Psychology, Dr. Marianna Footo-Linz and Dr. Margaret Fish) for "Linguistic Communication Skills in Rural Appalachian Preschoolers";

- Joseph Winn (History, Dr. David Woodward) for "Woodrow Wilson and German Militarism."

Cindy Counts named Music Prep director

Cindy Counts has been named the new director of the Marshall University Music Prep Dept.

A 1979 graduate of Marshall University with a bachelor's in Music Education/Piano Major, Counts has many years teaching experience in private piano, voice, children's choirs, and general music classes.

She taught private piano and general music in the Zion Conservatory of Music of Zion II., where she directed children's choirs in area churches. She currently teaches private piano in the MU Music Prep Dept. and accompanies the children's chorus.

"We are currently enrolling students in piano, voice, violin, and guitar," Counts said. "Our faculty is made up of qualified music instructors who have undergraduate and/or graduate degrees, and many years teaching experience."

Call 696-3168 for more information.



Counts