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Richard Moore named chair of criminal justice department

Marshall University recently appointed Dr. Richard Moore, a forensic scientist and professor of criminal justice, as chair of the Criminal Justice Department.

Moore, who came to Marshall from Penn State in 1985, said he originally came to Marshall because he was "affected by President Gilley's vision of what a university needs to be." "Marshall University is an interactive university that is committed to high quality education at affordable costs for everyone," Moore said. "I believe Marshall University has a 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 twentieth 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 general 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 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Sorell Maintenance Building, 20th St. and 3rd Avenue and also the storage facility located on 1 1/2 Ave. off 20th St. (behind Steiner's Co.). All items will be sold "as is where it is" with no guarantee as to condition.

Written bids will be accepted from interested individuals until 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 6, when the bids will be sold 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.
Funeral held for A. Mervin Tyson

Dr. A. Mervin Tyson, professor emeritus of English at Marshall University, passed away 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 bachelor’s degree from Gettysburg College, where he was a Phi Beta Kappa, and went on to earn a master’s degree from the University of Michigan and a Ph.D. from the University of Pittsburgh 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: professor and chairman of the English Department; chair of the College of Arts & Sciences; Vice President for Academic Affairs; Director of the Institutional Self Study, and Director of Institutional Research and Writing.

He helped with the establishment of Sigma Tau Delta, the English honor society; Phi Kappa Phi (Education), Kappa Delta Pi (Education), Eta Sigma Phi (Latin) and a Phi Sigma Iota (Mathematics) chapter on campus.

In 1989, the Theta Omicron chapter of Alpha Tau Omega named their new house “Tyon Hall” in honor of his 12 years of service as faculty advisor.

He held several professional memberships, including: Board of Directors, Renaissance College Inc.; Council for International Education; Commission on the College and Universi­ties, North Central Association; Modern Language Association; National Council, State University System of Florida; American Association of University Professors; and the Association for Higher Education.

In 1977, Tyson retired as vice president for Academic Affairs, and a search committee hired the university as official publications editor and liaison with the North Central Accreditation. He became a published author when his 1952 P.D. 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 books 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 the university.

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

A West Virginia native, with the U.S. Air Corps as a staff sergeant cryptographer, Tyson was an active member of the VFW 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 instate, compared to 60 percent nationally.

This is the second time this year Marshall has been recognized for its general per­mancy 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 residences in family practice.

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

Eligible faculty members must be engaged in academic activity at the rank of assistant professor or above at the rank of assistant profes­sor, with at least three years of service at MU.

Nominations for the award, which in­cludes a $5,000 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.

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

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

She taught piano and general music at the Marine of Zion II, where she directed children's choirs in areas churches. She currently is aomily Te at the Childs Choral Department and accompanies the children’s cho­rus.

"We are currently enrolling students in pi­ano, voice, and guitar," Counts said. "Our faculty is made up of qualified music instructors with bachelor’s and master’s graduate degrees, and many years teaching experience."

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