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MU Faculty and Staff Achievements

Dr. SARAHN. DENMAN, vice president of Academic Affairs and Robert F. Edmunds, associate professor of Communication studies will be making presentations at the 84th Annual Meeting of the National Communication Association, Nov. 20-24, in New York, New York. Denman will participate as a panelist in the program "The administrative experience: Women in academia speak out." Edmunds will participate as an officer in the program "Communication assessment commission business meeting."

Dr. DAVID R. WOODWARD, professor of History, has been elected a fellow in the Royal Historical Society.

Dr. JAGAN V. VALLURI, associate professor Division of Biological Sciences, has received a NASA-Research Initiation Grant for \$20,000. The purpose of the grant is to conduct research on the effects of microgravity on plant gene expression. The grant supports a Graduate student thesis work and two Undergraduate Capstone research projects. The grant also funds travel

for students to NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Florida to learn new molecular protocols and to interact with NASA scientists. The students will also present their results at scientific meetings in Gravitational Biology. Valluri attributes part of the success of getting this grant to the 1998 Summer Research Award for Graduate Research Committee.

Dr. ALINA ZAPALSKA, associate professor of Economics in the Division of Finance and Economics has recently published two papers: "Interactive Learning: the Market Game," with Dr. Dallas Brozik, associate professor of Finance, in *Social Studies*; and "Profiles of Polish and Hungarian entrepreneurs," in the *Journal of Enterprise Education*.

Dr. WILLIAM PALMER, professor of History, has published an article entitled, "High Officeholding, Foreign Policy, and British Dimension in the Tudor Far North, 1525-1563," in *Albion* 29, 4 (Winter, 1997): 579-95. Dr. Palmer has also been chosen for inclusion in *Who's Who Among America's*

Teacher's, 1998.

DENEZIA MERRIT-DAMRON and Wylma C. Skean Associate Professors of Business and Office technology in the Community and Technical College attended the National Business Education Association's 1998 Annual Convention, April 8-11 in San Antonio, Texas.

Dr. CHRISTOPHER DOLMETSCH, professor 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), pp/88-89.

J. GRAHAM RANKIN, assistant professor of Chemistry, has had an article published in *Energy & Fuels* (Sept. 1998) entitled, "Determination of Asphaltenes in Petroleum Crude Oils by Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy." Co-authors on the paper were Brian K. Wilt (Marshall MS, May 1997) and William T. Welch, both with Marathon-Ashland Petroleum Research.

William Denman named interim director of Integrated Sciences

Dr. William Denman, professor in the Department of Communication Studies, has been named Interim Director of the Integrated Science & Technology Program, according to Dr. Thomas Storch, College of Science dean.



Denman

"Dr. Denman brings a special blend of experience, academic expertise and administrative know-how to the Integrated Science & Technology Program," Storch said.

Denman has been actively involved with the development and implementation of the Integrated Science & Technology Program for over five years, including teaching communication courses in the program since the first class of students enrolled in the fall of 1997.

In 1965, he joined the Marshall faculty and has served in several administrative positions, including acting director and direc-

tor of the Society of Yeager Scholars from 1986-92.

From 1993-97, Denman served as chairman of the Department of Communication Studies, where among other accomplishments, he arranged a student exchange program with Anglia Polytechnic University in Cambridge, England. The exchange program enables Marshall students in communication studies to take courses at Anglia to receive credit in their major.

During the 1997-98 academic year, he was appointed as the third fellow of the John Deaver Drinko Academy. The Drinko Academy was established to foster undergraduate education in American institutions, values and culture.

A native of Los Angeles, Calif., Dr. Denman earned his doctorate from Ohio University.

"Under Bill's direction, we anticipate tremendous growth in student enrollment and enhancement of the program's reputation as an innovative approach to quality education in the 21st century," Storch said.

Noted doctor to speak October 25

Preventive and Integrative Medicine, a division of MU's Department of Family and Community Health and Cabell Huntington Hospital are sponsoring "An Afternoon With Deepak Chopra, M.D." Sunday, Oct. 25 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Huntington Civic Arena, according to Linda S. Holmes, MU School of Medicine director of Development and Alumni Affairs.

Chopra will discuss the secrets of finding success, affluence, good health and true happiness, Holmes said.

General admission tickets are available through Ticketmaster at (304) 523-5757 for \$27.50, \$37.50 or \$47.50. Students are eligible for a discount at the box office with the appropriate ID.

Physicians and nurses may attend to obtain continuing hours education (CME and CNE) for \$65 per person. For more information, contact Tara C. Sharma, M.D. at (304) 523-0384 or Holmes at (304) 691-1711.

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Speakers, concert to highlight multicultural festival

"Global-Versity," a term describing the combination of globalization and diversity, is the theme for Marshall University's 32nd annual International Festival, a weeklong event beginning Sunday, Oct. 18 with a festival from 3 to 6 p.m. in the W. Don Morris Room of the MU Memorial Student Center.

"Globalization and diversity are two forces that are acting upon society," said Clark Egnor, director of MU's English as a Second Language program. "We need to appreciate and respect the differences in people and value those differences."

The festival will feature exotic foods, traditional music and dance, and displays rep-

resenting many different countries and cultures. Other events scheduled for the festival include multicultural conferences and guest speakers. All events are free and open to the public.

"The International Festival allows the community to celebrate its multicultural heritage and showcases the many nationalities of those studying, teaching and working at Marshall University and in the Huntington community," said Dr. William A. Edwards, executive director of Marshall's Center for International Programs.

There are several workshops taking place throughout the week. For a complete list of times and speakers, or to register, con-

tact Scott C. Hoppe, director of the International Students and Scholars program, 696-2379, or access the "Global-versity" website at www.marshall.edu/cip/globalversity.

Concerts to highlight the classical music and dance of India

A series of concerts and workshops on the classical music and dance of India will be presented by The Birke Fine Arts Symposium, Marshall University and the South Asia Cultural Society from Oct. 15-20 on the Marshall University campus. These events are presented in conjunction with "Globalversity," the 1998 Multicultural and the International Conference at Marshall University on Oct. 18-20.

Shruti Sasidharan, a professional dancer

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Marshall accepted into national organization

Marshall University has received – and accepted – an invitation to become a member of the prestigious National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges (NASULGC), MU President J. Wade Gilley announced Oct. 9.

"This is a significant development for Marshall, reflecting our emergence as a major state university," Gilley said. "NASULGC is composed of the principal universities in the various states, as well as the land grant colleges."

Members in this region include West Virginia University, Penn State, Pittsburgh and Temple; Kentucky and Louisville; Virginia Tech, Virginia and Virginia Commonwealth, and Ohio State, Cincinnati, Miami and Ohio University.

Gilley said nine of the 14 Mid-American Conference schools are members; none of the Southern Conference schools are. He cited Marshall's recent growth to more than 15,000 students, including a medical school, and its regional service role as factors in its selection for NASULGC membership.

MU violence awareness program recognized in national publication

Marshall University's "Violence Against Women Among Student Athletes" program has been recognized as an exemplary program in "Bridges to Student Success," a magazine published by the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators, according to Dr. Donnalee Cockrille, dean of Student Affairs.

"It is a comprehensive program to initiate changes in behavior and thinking in the area of power and aggression violence against women," Cockrille said.

The program was developed in response to the large number of sexual assaults and dating violence incidents reported on campuses nationwide involving student athletes. Athlete's relationships with women have been recognized as a prominent problem in sports, Cockrille said.

Started in 1996, the program runs in cooperation with several campus offices including Student Affairs, Athletic Department, Enrollment Management, Public Safety, and Judicial Affairs. Lance West,

athletic director and Leah Tolliver, director of Women's Programs, work with Cockrille on the program, helping to develop its goals and direction.

"The decision to provide more comprehensive programming in this area was not the result of a specific event of violence on our campus," Cockrille said. "But grew from the continuing documentation of the role of substance abuse in crimes against women, and the associated need to address how aggression in sports may be transferred to life's situations."

Cockrille said the program has specific goals, including: broadening perspectives among student athletes about the problem of violence against women and its impact on society; examining the interrelated roles of substance abuse and violence, and encouraging student athletes to take responsibility for themselves and others.

"The cooperation of the athletic department, especially the football team, is what makes this program possible," Cockrille said. "They have all been great."

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Stanley named vice president for alumni relations

Samuel H. Stanley of Merritt Island, Fla., a Marshall University alumnus and former MU sports information director, has been named the university's assistant vice president for alumni relations.

His appointment, effective Oct. 1, was announced by Dr. Carolyn B. Hunter, vice president for alumni development.

As assistant vice president for alumni relations, Stanley will be responsible for creating and managing programs to increase alumni involvement and support of the university. He will serve as executive director of the Marshall University Alumni Association.

"We are very pleased that an individual with Sam Stanley's background in journalism, education and public relations has

Enrollment figures reflect flood of freshmen

Preliminary figures released Oct. 7 verified what has been obvious for weeks — a flood of freshmen inundating the Marshall University campus will push total university enrollment past the 16,000 mark by the Oct. 25 official census date. At the same time, MU President J. Wade Gilley issued a word of caution.

The number of freshmen attending Marshall full time this fall jumped 10.7 percent — an increase of 301 — to 3,167

agreed to accept this vital role," Dr. Hunter said. "His extensive knowledge of and affection for Marshall will make him particularly effective in working with our alumni throughout the nation."

Stanley has been serving since 1988 as a journalism instructor and information specialist with WBCC-TV at Brevard Community College in Cocoa, Fla. where he also was adviser to the student newspaper for nine years. In addition, he has been a statistician for the Orlando magic of the National Basketball Association the past 10 years.

Prior to moving to Florida in 1988, he was director of communications for Cabell County Schools for eight years.

He earned his bachelor's degree from

compared to 2,778 last fall. Total freshman enrollment, including part-time students is 3,923.

"The increasing number of students electing to attend Marshall University is a nice problem," Gilley said. "However, over the next few months we are going to have to address the basic question of how we are going to continue providing quality education to more and more students without additional funding from the state."

Graduate tuition waivers available

Applications for graduate student tuition waivers for Marshall University's spring semester will be accepted through Monday, Nov. 9, in the Marshall University Graduate College Office, Old Main Room 113, according to Dr. Leonard J. Deutsch, Graduate College dean.

Waiver priority will be given to faculty and staff of the state's colleges and universities and to West Virginia residents, in accordance to the West Virginia Board of Trustees Policy

WVU waivers available

West Virginia University tuition waivers for the Spring 1999 term are available through the MU Graduate College office, according to Charlene R. Hawkins, records officer.

Full-time faculty and staff members are eligible for waivers, with a maximum award of six credit hours.

The application deadline in the Graduate College office is Monday, Oct. 26.

Application forms are available in the MU Graduate College office, Old Main 113.

Bulletin 49. A small number of waivers will be awarded to nonresident students, Deutsch said.

Deutsch said academic merit, which is determined by grade point average and scores on GRE, MAT or GMAT examinations, will be the major consideration in awarding the waivers. The waiver covers tuition, student activity fees must be paid by the recipient. Up to three hours of course work will be awarded to qualified recipients.

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

Deutsch said students who previously held waivers must reapply for spring semester waivers. Students who are awarded waivers will be notified by mail, and may pick them up beginning Tuesday, Nov. 17, 1998.

For more information contact the Marshall University Graduate College Office, 696-6606.

Marshall in 1965 and became sports editor of the Sanford (Fla.) Herald that year. He received a Masters in Journalism degree from Marshall in 1980.

Other newspaper positions he has held include copy editor and assistant news editor of the Huntington Advertiser, news editor of the Somerset (Ky.) Commonwealth Journal and managing editor of the Cabell Record. He was Marshall's sports information director from 1973 to 1976 and also has served as publicity director of the Orlando Panthers of the Continental Football League and director of public information at West Virginia Institute of Technology.

Stanley serves as president of the MU Alumni Association's Space Coast Club. He has been president of the Florida Community College Press Association, president of the West Virginia School Public Relations Association, chairman of the MU Alumni Association Board of Directors' public relations committee and a member of the selection committee for the Marshall Athletic Hall of Fame. He was a youth league baseball coach for 20 years.

Stanley and his wife, the former Sue Walker, have two daughters and two grandchildren.

MU honorary degree nominations accepted

The University Functions Committee is inviting all faculty, administrators, staff and students to nominate outstanding persons for Honorary Degrees to be awarded by MU at the 1999 Commencement Exercise, according to Dr. Thomas Linz, chair University Functions Committee.

Linz said it is desirable, though not necessary, that the nominee has connections with MU or West Virginia, or have attained eminence in a field important to Marshall.

A nomination dossier is required and should be turned in by Nov. 10. For more information, contact Linz at 696-7077.

Letter of Appreciation

Dear Marshall faculty and staff:

The family of Dr. Thomas B. Wright, Jr. acknowledges with grateful appreciation your kind and thoughtful expressions of sympathy. The flowers, calls, food and visits were of great comfort to our family.

Sincerely,
Dr. Kathryn Wright

Yeager Symposium to feature creative individuals

Individuals from around the world whose creative and eccentric achievements have influenced education will be the focus of this year's Yeager Symposium, Oct. 12-15.

"The ingenuity represented by these speakers spans disciplines and celebrates the creative and the eccentric of college life and that which lies beyond," said co-chairmen for the symposium Molly Bassett, Culloden sophomore, and Nicole LaRose, Palm Harbor, Fla., senior.

Those speakers who will participate in the symposium include:

James Burke - Monday, Oct. 12, 7:30 p.m., F. Booth Experimental Theatre.

Burke, a science-historian, author and television host, has published several books, and has produced and hosted shows for the Learning Channel and PBS, both in the United Kingdom and in the United States.

James W. Casto - Tuesday, Oct. 13, 7:30 p.m., F. Booth Experimental Theater. Casto, Editorial editor for the Herald Dispatch, will perform in a dialogue as Collis P. Huntington with Dr. Calvin A. "Cal" Kent, dean of the Elizabeth McDowell Lewis College of Business. The dialogue will discuss the changes in local commerce from Huntington's time to the present.

Elliot Mennette - Wednesday, Oct. 14,

SCORES to kick off academic festival

Marshall University's Search Committee on Recognizing Excellent Students (SCORES), will kick off its 1998 Academic Festival with a Recognition Brunch Thursday, Oct. 8, 10:30 a.m. until noon in the Big Green Room at the Marshall Football Stadium, according to Sherry Brooks, SCORES coordinator.

Brooks said students participating in this year's festival, which will be held March 12-13, 1999, can register at the brunch. Also, Marshall faculty and staff, high school principals, counselors, and teachers who work with the SCORES program will be recognized.

"Navigation to Excellence" is the theme for this year's SCORES festival, which attracts 3,000 high school students. Brook said the festival encourages students on to

the road to higher education. She said the journey begins with the SCORES Academic Festival.

"We at SCORES believe students' academic achievements should be rewarded and are excited to be able to do so through the festival," Brooks said. "By rewarding students for their academic successes, we hope to encourage students to continue on the road to higher education."

Entertainment at the brunch will be provided by a string quartet from the Marshall University Department of Music. Guests will also be eligible to win door prizes donated by area businesses.

For more information, contact the SCORES office at 696-6752 or 1-800-63-SCORE or by email scores@marshall.edu or visit www.marshall.edu/scores.

'Globalversity' theme for 1998 international festival Oct. 18-25

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with the internationally recognized group *Natyakalalayam*, will present a demonstration/workshop on traditional dance of India from 6 - 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall. Those attending will be invited onstage to learn basic movements involved in the dances.

A concert on Oct. 18 in the Joan Edwards Playhouse will feature Shubhendra Rao on sitar, Partho Sarathy on sarod and Tanmoy Bose on tabla. The program will begin with a pre-concert lecture at 7:15 p.m. and

music at 7:30.

The artists will present a music workshop/demonstration in Smith Recital Hall on Monday Oct. 19 from 2 - 3 p.m.

On Oct. 19, Steve Gorn will be featured on the flute and will be accompanied by Samir Chatterjee on tabla in Smith Recital Hall at 8 p.m..

Mr. Chatterjee will present a hand drumming workshop in Smith Recital Hall on Tuesday Oct. 20 from 2 - 3 p.m. All events are free and open to the public.

7:30 p.m., F. Booth Experimental Theater. A native of Trinidad-Tobago, Mennette is the principal innovator and designer of the modern steel drum. Mennette is currently an artist in residence at West Virginia University and has played his drums at the Smithsonian Museum and the Metropolitan Museum.

There will also be a Keynote Panel Thursday, Oct. 15, Joan C. Edwards Playhouse, 7:30 p.m., discussing the week's theme "Creativity and Eccentricity." Members of the panel include Paula Clendenin, Charleston, W. Va., visual artist; John Fiedler, Hollywood film maker and producer; John Van Kirk, professor of English at Marshall University; and Maryann Pennington, Huntington Museum of Art, as the Moderator.

"The students were interested in the spirit that drives people to do what they do," said Martha C. Woodward, executive director for the Center of Academic Excellence. "This gives us the opportunity to get at the art."

Applications accepted

Ethics conference

Dr. Donnalee Cockrille, dean of Student Affairs, is soliciting applications from undergraduate students who are interested in attending the National Conference on Ethics in America at the United States Military Academy Oct. 25-28, 1998.

"It is primarily designed to afford students the opportunity to exchange conceptual viewpoints and current philosophies on moral and ethical development on college campuses and beyond into professional life," Cockrille said.

Selected students will be asked to share the conference proceedings with other student leaders on Marshall's campus. For more information contact Cockrille in MSC 2W38 or email her at Cockrill@marshall.edu.

All College Academic Team

Nominations for students to be recognized by USA Today's All-USA College Academic Team are being taken now through Monday, Nov. 30.

USA Today is seeking full-time undergraduate students who excel on and off campus. Winners are selected by a panel of educators, chosen in cooperation with event co-sponsors. The key element will be the student's outstanding original academic or intellectual product.

For more information contact Sarah Denman, 696-3007.