“Hooked on Love” scheduled Oct. 21

The Center for African-American Students will sponsor “Hooked on Love” Tuesday, Oct. 21 at 7 p.m. in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse, according to Ken Blue, coordinator of African-American Student Programs.

Presented by Pin Points Theatre, “Hooked on Love” presents “Fast moving skits showing the hilarious changes people go through for romance.”

“Music and comedy take the audience on side-cracking joy rides through the zany world of relationships. Through all the laughter, the play confrnts a serious question: How do we all get along?”

For more information, contact Blue in the Center for African-American Students, 696-5330.

Michael Feinstein performs Oct. 20

Contemporary pop vocalist Michael Feinstein will perform Monday, Oct. 20 at 8 p.m. at the Keith-Albee Theatre as part of the Marshall Artists Series, according to Angela Grant, marketing director for the series.

Feinstein will also have a book signing the afternoon of Oct. 20, as he promotes his new book Nice Work If You Can Get It. The signing will be at the Renaissance Book Company and Coffee House, 831 4th Ave., from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

“After 15 albums and countless live shows over his expansive career, entertainer Michael Feinstein is well-recognized as both a sharp musical scholar and passionate performer,” said Grant.

Tickets are $25 and $30 for adults and $14 and $15 for people 17 and under. Contact Grant, 696-6656, for more information.

Campus telephone number changes

The recent merger of the telephone systems between the Huntington campus and the Marshall University Graduate College necessitated the changing of seven telephone numbers, according to William S. Doel, assistant vice president of operations at MU.

Please make a note of these changes and begin using the numbers immediately.

MU student excused absences...

Absences have been excused by the university for these students on the dates noted.

Oct. 8 – Kevin Biggs, Matt Odenhall, To Grass, Tyson Smith, Chris Massey, Todd Hitt, Pete Lemonds, C. Jason Lewis, Joey Calamante, Mike Eaken, Stephen Tomblin, Joe Carson, Chris Tuttie, Carlos Lopes, Amandra Bowyer, Elizabeth Vance, Amanda New, Jason Keffler, Danny Morgan, Rob Ellis, Josedra Perkey, Jason Tender, Jeremy Tittle, Phyllis Sea, Anne Abebar.

Oct. 9-10 – Chris Hall, Amy Runyon, Samantha Morris, Cheri Prendergast, Donald Collier.

Oct. 13-18 – David Thompson, Fred Foot, Aaron Kliner.

Marshall’s two principal campuses—in Huntington and Charleston—and each have been linked under a single telephone system, starting this week.

MU President J. Wade Gilley said the $180,000 project is the initial step in Marshall joining a statewide “asynchronous transfer mode” (ATM) system being developed by Bell Atlantic. While the first phase provides voice transmission between the two campuses, a fully developed system will provide also for integrated data and video transmission.

“The upgrading of three switches in Huntington and one in Charleston positions Marshall to be on the cutting edge of a telecommunications revolution in West Virginia and, indeed, the nation,” Gilley said.

“We expect Marshall to be one of the first institutions in the state to take advantage of this advanced technology.”

The “F-I” line joining the two campuses as a single system provides 28 voice communication channels, according to Dr. William S. Deel, Marshall University assistant vice president for operations.

Once the ATM technology is installed by Bell Atlantic, thousands of communication channels will be available.

Deel said the revolutionary changes in telecommunications have been made possible by actions taken several years ago when Bell Atlantic installed a statewide network of fiber optic cables and Marshall did the same thing on a campuswide basis. Both campuses now are fully “wired” with fiber optic lines.

Linking of the South Charleston and Huntington campuses under a single telecommunications system became necessary last July 1 when the West Virginia Graduate College in South Charleston was merged with Marshall and re-named the Marshall University Graduate College.

Marshall earlier had established T-1 lines between the Huntington campus and sites in Logan and Point Pleasant to provide for delivery of courses in those communities, Deel said.

Once the ATM system installation is completed, fully integrated voice, data and video signals can be transmitted at the speed of light, Gilley noted. “No other university in the nation will have better telecommunications abilities,” he added.

BENEFITS OF ATM

• Universal access with level prices
• Capability to support interactive, multimedia applications
• Range of access options
• Capability to support high performance computing applications with guaranteed quality of service
• Scales to match demand
• Advanced digital communications services
• Issues from national and international standards
• Founded upon public network services
• Lever for economic development
• Promotes competition
MU Foundation marks 50th anniversary

The Marshall University Foundation Inc. surpassed the $1 million mark in its 50th year, according to Sherry H. Asbury, executive director, during the Foundation’s annual meeting held on Jan. 31, 1994, at the John Marshall Room on the 13th floor of the Memorial Student Center.

During the 1996-97 fiscal year, the Foundation received more than $6.3 million in gifts from all sources.

Ann Logan Speer, first vice president; J. Churchill Hodges, who earned an A.B. degree in 1937 and an M.B.A. degree in 1953 and who retired after 35 years from the Cabell County Board of Education after serving as a science supervisor, director of purchasing and biology teacher. Their terms expire in the 1999-2000 fiscal year that begins July 1.

The breakdown on giving was:

- $691,475 from foundations
- $37,271 from individuals and estates
- $174,524 from foundations and organizations.

Of the total 1996-97 donations, $3,565,419 was earmarked for endowed scholarships, including $1,150,757 for the John W. Atwood Scholarship; $784,143 for the Foundation’s executive director.

The overall increase during 1995-97 over the previous two years was 53%.

For more information, contact Sherry Asbury at the Marshall University Foundation, 696-6264.

MU Employee achievements

Dr. Michael P. Castellano, associate professor in the Department of Chemistry, had a paper entitled "EPR Spectra of [Co(CO)2(L)(6Me6)] + (L=PF6, Py3, L=PF3, Py3) in Powder Form and Determination of State Configuration from Interpretation of 31P Couplings" published in the Sept. 30 issue of the Journal of Organometallics.

Dr. Mary Grassell, professor in the Department of Sociology, had three talks accepted for the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association held Oct. 23-25 at West Virginia State College, according to Dr. Lynn Reed, president of the association.

The opening session, "The American Melting Pot," will be held Thursday, Oct. 23. It will include a discussion among: Dr. Amy Hudock, assistant professor in the MU Department of English; Leah Tollefson of the MU Women’s Center; Helen Bannan of WVU Women’s Studies; Beth Marquart, director of the Women’s Center; and Patricia Grantham, a psychology professor.

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For more information, contact Mary Thomas, 696-2348.

Smith receives Certified Management Degree

Stephanie Smith, professor in the Department of Materials Purchasing and Management, recently received a degree from the Certified Business Management Institute at the University of Kentucky.

"I believe this degree will make me more productive at Marshall," Smith said. "During my years at the institute I learned new aspects of business and became more familiar with the entire business process."

Smith has been employed at Marshall for nine years. "While I was studying at the University of Kentucky, I also learned some things about Marshall," she said.

"I learned that MIS is ahead of the game in business for the state of the art technology," Smith said.

"From what I have seen, we have better equipment than larger universities that gives me a sense of pride to work at Marshall University."

Smith is the first person in the Department of Materials Purchasing and Management to graduate from the three-year program.

"We also have other people in the department attending the Certified Business Management Institute at UK who will receive their degree soon," she added.

The Certified Professional Education at MUM, Smith said she would never have gotten the opportunity to attend the program.

"I would like to thank Bill Shodell, director of the Department of Materials Purchasing and Management, for this opportunity," she said. "He has arranged for the department to pay for employee’s education at the institute, and without his help I would not have been able to receive this degree."

For more information about Smith or the Career Connection Job Fair, contact the MU Career Services Center, 696-2822.

Career Connection Job Fair Oct. 29

Over 40 business organizations have registered to take part in the first Career Connection Fall Job Fair Wednesday, Oct. 29 from 1-4 p.m. in the Don Morris Room of the Memorial Student Center, according to Dr. Patricia Gallagher, recruiting coordinator in the Career Services Center.

"The fair is an excellent opportunity to meet with local and regional employers," Gallagher said. "Students can also meet business contacts at the fair and apply for current opportunities.

Sponsored by the MU Career Services Center, there is no cost to attend the fair and no pre-registration is required.

"All Marshall students and alumni are encouraged to attend," Gallagher said.

Participating employers include Atlantic Sun Communications, Columbia Gas, Manpower Technical, Prestera Center, Smith Barrows and Zoncon Savings Bank.

A complete list of participants is available in the Career Services Center, 1681 5th Ave. Contact Gallagher for more information, 696-2371.

Deadline set for MU News Letter

Items for the Marshall University News Letter, which is published by the Office of Student Affairs, Relations Office by 10 a.m. Tuesday in order to be published the following Thursdays.

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