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Marshall to graduate 1,642 students in commencement ceremonies May 9

More than 1,600 Marshall University students will graduate Saturday, May 9, in a pair of commencement ceremonies at the Big Sandy Superstore Arena in downtown Huntington.

For the fourth consecutive year, Marshall will conduct two commencement ceremonies on the same day. The 9 a.m. ceremony is for bachelor’s and associate degree candidates, and a 2 p.m. ceremony the same day is for master’s and doctoral degree candidates. Among the 1,642 students receiving degrees are 1,077 undergraduates, 476 graduate students, 64 students from the School of Medicine and 25 from the School of Physical Therapy’s inaugural class.

Marshall Registrar Roberta Ferguson said 468 students will graduate with honors. Eighty-four will graduate summa cum laude (3.85 to 4.0 GPA), 145 magna cum laude (3.6 to 3.84 GPA) and 226 cum laude (3.3 to 3.59 GPA). Thirteen students receiving associate degrees will graduate with honors.

Interim President Gary G. White will preside at both ceremonies.

Paula George Tompkins, a 1970 Marshall graduate and owner/founder of ChannelNet, will be the keynote speaker during the morning ceremony. ChannelNet is a highly successful digital marketing and sales firm.

Marshall will continue a practice that began in 2006 of recognizing individually each graduate who attends commencement. Each graduate will walk to the area in front of the stage, where his or her name will be announced and he or she will receive congratulations from White and a representative scroll from the Marshall Alumni Association.

During the morning ceremony, Marshall will recognize its graduating honor students. Based on tentative grade point averages, 12 students will complete their baccalaureate degrees with perfect GPAs.

Here is a list of the remaining commencement week events:

**Wednesday, May 6**

3:30 p.m., School of Medicine senior awards ceremony, Byrd Clinical Center Auditorium

**Thursday, May 7**
5:30 p.m., Cookout for the School of Medicine Class of 2015, Cabell County 4-H Camp and Conference Center

7 p.m., College of Health Professions Huntington nursing recognition ceremony, Christ Temple Church, 2400 Johnstown Rd.

Friday, May 8

10 a.m., ROTC commissioning ceremony, BE-5, Memorial Student Center

3 p.m., Exercise Physiology Recognition Ceremony, Cam Henderson Center 2013

3:30 p.m., Communication Disorders Senior Reception, in Smith Hall 154

4 p.m., H.E.L.P. Program graduation ceremony, Myers Hall

4 p.m., Clinical Lab Sciences and Dietetics Department graduation ceremony, Memorial Student Center BE-5

5 p.m., College Program for Students with Asperger Syndrome graduation reception, Old Main 315

5 p.m., Yeager Medallion Ceremony, Drinko Library, third-floor atrium

5:30 p.m., 2015 School of Journalism and Mass Communications Spring Ceremony, Evelyn Smith Recital Hall; reception to follow in Smith Hall Atrium

6 p.m., College of Education and Professional Development recognition ceremony, Foundation Hall

7 p.m., Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine Doctoral Investiture and commencement, Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center

7 p.m., College of Health Professions, St. Mary’s Medical Center School of Nursing, Pinning Ceremony, First Baptist Church of Proctorville

Saturday, May 9

8 a.m., Mission MPossible 5k Run and Walk, Ritter Park (benefits the annual medical missions trip to Honduras)

9 a.m., Marshall University’s 178th commencement ceremony for undergraduates, Big Sandy Superstore Arena

10 a.m., Doctor of Physical Therapy Inaugural Class of 2015 awards ceremony, School of Physical Therapy, St. Mary’s Conference Center, 2847 5th Ave.

11:30 a.m. or immediately following morning commencement, College of Information Technology and Engineering graduation reception, Arthur Weisberg Family Engineering Laboratories
2 p.m., Marshall University’s commencement ceremony for graduate students, Big Sandy Superstore Arena

4:30 p.m., College of Science hooding ceremony, Smith Hall 154

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Today’s monthly open house canceled

The monthly campus-wide open house scheduled for 3 p.m. today, Wednesday, May 6, has been canceled, said Ginny Painter, senior vice president for communications and marketing.

The reason for today’s cancellation is to allow the university community to attend the retirement reception for Dean of Student Affairs Steve Hensley, which will take place in the Drinko Atrium beginning at 3 p.m.

Next month’s open house is scheduled to take place Wednesday, June 3, from 3 to 4 p.m. in the reception area of the Office of University Communications, 213 Old Main. Members of the university community are encouraged to stop by for refreshments and an opportunity to visit with members of the university’s leadership team.

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School of Medicine marks annual commencement week with several activities

The Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine will award 64 Doctor of Medicine degrees Friday in the annual Investiture Ceremony. The event begins at 7 p.m. at the Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center. Admission is by invitation only.

Interim President Gary G. White will confer the students’ degrees.

This year’s special guest speaker is Robert W. Schrier, M.D., professor emeritus of medicine at the University of Colorado and former longtime chairman of the school’s department of medicine. Known the world over by researchers and scientists for his research into acute kidney failure and other facets of kidney disease, Schrier has received several honorary doctorates from universities around the world and will be awarded an honorary Doctor of Science degree at the Marshall ceremony.

Graduates of the Class of 2015 include eight students who have maintained perfect 4.0 GPAs during their medical school years. This class features students who have matched into highly competitive residency specialties, like orthopaedics, emergency medicine and radiology, as well as students paired into prestigious primary care programs across the country.

The investiture will be streamed live at www.marshall.edu/it/livestream. The ceremony also includes recognition of graduates from the Biomedical Sciences program and the announcement of the School of Medicine Alumni Association’s Honorary Alumnus for 2015.

Remaining graduation week activities include the following:

- 3:30 p.m., Wednesday, May 6, Senior Awards Ceremony, Byrd Clinical Center Auditorium
- 5:30 p.m., Thursday, May 7, Celebration Cookout for the Class of 2015, Cabell County 4-H Camp and Conference Center
- 8 a.m., Saturday, May 9, Mission M-Possible 5K Run and Walk, Ritter Park (benefits the annual medical missions trip to Honduras)

Photo: Students participate in the 2014 investiture. This year’s event will take place Friday evening, May 8.
Marshall University officials have announced that the search for the university’s 37th president will continue following an initial round of off-campus interviews.

Board of Governors Chairman Michael G. Sellards, who is leading the presidential search, said that after interviewing six candidates this weekend, search committee members decided they are not yet prepared to invite members from the current field of candidates for on-campus interviews.

“The committee met for interviews with a number of highly qualified individuals,” he said. “Each candidate brought desirable attributes to the table and we were pleased with the overall quality. In the final analysis, we decided to keep the search going.”

He said the primary reason is that the next step in the process—the campus visits—are a critical point for both the university and for the candidates.

“For the university, it’s a commitment that the committee believes we have found at least three people we believe could be an outstanding president at Marshall. For the candidates, it means their identities become public for the first time, so they have to be certain, too,” he said. “We don’t want to disclose finalists’ names until we are absolutely sure we have the right people.”

Sellards added that Marshall is in an unusual situation. Unlike a traditional search, he said, when the previous president has retired or left for another job, Marshall is replacing a beloved president who died suddenly.

He said, “This search also takes on a slightly different characteristic than you usually see in these instances. The tragedy the entire university community suffered when Dr. Kopp passed away is still not entirely behind us and we want to take just that much more care to ensure we are moving ahead in the right direction.”

Sellards said the search will now be continued to identify any additional candidates who may not have been in the original pool and that he expects a revised timeline for the search will be determined in the coming days.

He added that the search committee wants to move forward quickly, but the desire to move expeditiously should not overshadow the larger picture.

“As we have said since the beginning, this search is a fluid process,” he said. “The entire search committee is dedicated to finding the right person and we are extremely confident we will do so. This is the way the process is designed to work. If it takes more time, then it takes more time.”

Sellards said Interim President Gary G. White has agreed to stay on until a new president is selected. A Marshall alumnus, White was appointed to the interim position on Dec. 29, 2014. He is not a candidate for the permanent position.
Sellards said, “We are grateful to Mr. White for his continuing commitment to Marshall University. He is doing a tremendous job of leading the institution through this transition and we are pleased he has agreed to stay with us as we continue to search for a permanent leader. There is a great deal of important work to be done over the summer related to the ongoing Marshall 2020 strategic planning process and he is the right person to move that initiative forward.”

White said, “I stand ready and willing to do what is needed. As much as anyone, I want to see Marshall University find and hire the right person to be president. I love this institution that has done so much for me personally, and am pleased to have the opportunity to give back by serving in this role. I appreciate the board’s confidence in me during this critical time.”

Sellards also thanked the members of the search committee, who he says have devoted a remarkable amount of time to reviewing candidates and participating in interviews.

“These committee members are doing very difficult work and that work will continue until we identify a new president for Marshall University. I want to publicly thank them for all they have done and will continue to do,” he said.

The search committee is composed of the 16 members of the Board of Governors—which includes student, faculty and staff representatives—as well as the president of the Faculty Senate. Ex-officio, non-voting committee members include White and Dr. Paul Hill, chancellor of the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission.

The search procedures approved by the board on Feb. 11 specify that following off-campus interviews, the search committee will identify between three and five finalists to be interviewed on campus. Sellards said an initial field of nearly 60 candidates was narrowed to the group of semi-finalists interviewed over the past several days. The identities of all candidates will remain confidential until finalists for campus visits are announced.

Marshall is using the services of AGB Search Inc. to coordinate the search. The firm’s contract calls for them to continue to assist the university at no additional cost.

Information about the search process is available at www.marshall.edu/presidential-search. The site includes an online feedback form to allow people to provide input.

**Board of Governors approves simplified tuition and fee structure**

Strengthening Marshall University’s commitment to its students, the institution’s Board of Governors last week approved a simplified tuition and fee structure, to become effective with the fall semester.
“Marshall University has always been a great value for students,” said Interim President Gary G. White. “This new, easier-to-understand tuition and fee model will serve to further reinforce the value of our degree programs and our entire institution.”

The new structure will allow prospective students to quickly and easily compare the cost of a Marshall University degree program with that of other higher education institutions. It also will help students and their families plan for the cost of attending Marshall because they will be able to better predict the amount they will pay.

According to Chief Financial Officer Mary Ellen Heuton, most course and lab fees, as well as all off-campus and regional campus fees, will be eliminated under the new model. Instead, students’ fees will be based on the college in which their major is housed and their specific program.

She said that currently there are numerous variables that determine how much a student pays and the rates can be complicated. With the new model, as long as a student knows which university college and program they are in and whether they are a resident, non-resident, metro or distance student, they will be able to look at a simple chart and see exactly what their tuition and fees will be.

Heuton emphasized that the change for resident students—who make up three-quarters of the student body—will be minimal.

“The new structure is intended to be revenue-neutral,” she said. “The students who will be most affected are non-resident students who have been doing some of their coursework online through e-courses. Under the current model, many of these students have not been paying the published tuition rate students taking all their courses on campus pay. The new structure also will help students focus on educational outcomes rather than making decisions based on what are presently widely varying course-by-course costs.”

She added that the decision to move to the simplified model extends the university’s goal of full transparency.

“Every student who is considering Marshall University deserves to know exactly what the cost of their degree will be. We owe it to our students to be as upfront as possible regarding our pricing,” she said.

Student Government Association President Duncan Waugaman said he was involved in helping to formulate the new structure and thinks the streamlined model will benefit students.

“The best thing about this new model is that it simplifies tuition and fees for all students,” he said. “That’s the biggest thing students want and need—something that’s easier to understand and predict their costs.”

The board is expected to consider tuition and fee amounts and a budget for fiscal year 2016 at an upcoming meeting.

At the meeting, White pledged that despite continuing budget cuts from the state, the board will receive a balanced budget for consideration and that it should not be necessary to dip into the university’s reserves to achieve a balanced budget.
He credited the ongoing Marshall 2020 strategic planning process for ensuring that the university will remain in strong financial shape, pointing out the work of teams from across the university that are identifying and helping to implement opportunities to save money while improving services.

“Thanks to the work of countless committed people in the Marshall community, we are in excellent financial position to take advantage of the changes coming to the funding of public higher education,” he said. “If our projected savings can be achieved, we think we can balance the budget and keep our commitment to salary increases for qualifying faculty and staff, all without using our reserves.”

Also at the meeting, the board affirmed a set of institutional priorities to guide the transition to new presidential leadership and direct the ongoing growth and development of the university. Members also approved proposals to plan two new degree programs—a bachelor of science in mechanical engineering and a master of science in clinical and translational science.

The board also signed off on a new purchasing policy and amendments to the university’s policy for disposing of surplus computers, and Provost Gayle Ormiston and English professor Dr. David Hatfield presented information about the process for the university’s upcoming accreditation review by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). A site team from HLC is scheduled to visit campus in October.

In addition, board members received a fall enrollment update from Dr. Beth Wolfe, director of recruiting. She reported that the number of admitted freshmen is up for fall and is the highest it has been in at least eight years at this point in the spring semester. Freshman deposits for fall also are up by nearly 100 students over the same time last spring.

Yeager program welcomes the Dr. Daniel P. Babb Class of 2019

Eight exceptional high school students have been chosen as the next class to join the Society of Yeager Scholars.

The Dr. Daniel P. Babb Class of 2019, the 29th Yeager class, will start their studies this fall, as they experience an enhanced, interdisciplinary curriculum, and opportunities for leadership and travel outside of a traditional classroom.

The scholarship is a full ride to Marshall, covering all tuition and room and board. Students also get a personal computer and the opportunity to study in Oxford, England.

“Marshall University is very proud of the Yeager Scholars program and the great contribution it has made not only to the community, but to the state of West Virginia,” said Gary White, interim president. “I am sure that this latest class of eight students which, by the way, includes four students from West Virginia, will excel academically and grow socially, just as other Yeager Scholars have done over the past
30 years. As Gen. Yeager once said, ‘this program is only for a very small, very select group of students, only the best.’ And, it appears we have chosen ‘only the best’ once again with the class of 2019.”

Students chosen for the Yeager program must qualify with the minimum 30 composite ACT or 1340 SAT score, as well as a 3.5 g.p.a., then go through multiple interviews.

“After a long application process I am confident that our interviewers have chosen a terrific incoming class of Yeager Scholars. I look forward to welcoming them to Marshall,” said Dr. Nicki LoCascio, interim dean of the Honors College.

Each Yeager class bears the name of someone influential to the program. The Dr. Daniel P. Babb Class of 2019, is named after a longtime and beloved chemistry professor at Marshall. It is estimated Babb taught more than 15,000 students in 42 years at Marshall. He served as associate dean of the College of Science in 1986, and as chair of his department for 14 years. He was instrumental in developing the original curriculum for the Society of Yeager Scholars, and served as chair of the Academic Advisory Committee for most of the life of the program. Babb died in November 2014.

The Dr. Daniel P. Babb Class of 2019 includes:

• Elizabeth Adams, from Elizabeth, West Virginia, is a senior at Wirt County High School and plans to major in biomechanics. Adams was named the top female academic athlete in West Virginia for the 2013-14 academic year. She is the senior class president and also runs her own knitting business.

• Hunter Barclay, of Frostburg, Maryland, will graduate from Mountain Ridge High School with the top grade point average in his class. He hopes to major in energy management, with an emphasis in political science, with the aspiration of entering politics. Barclay is an AP Scholar with Distinction, an all-star Bible quizzer and active in the model United Nations.

• Clayton Curry, from Ravenswood, West Virginia, attends Ravenswood High School. Curry will major in Biology and plans to attend medical school. He is a Boy Scout, the captain of his tennis team and an archer. He is a member of the show choir and was named to the state Honor Choir. Curry was recognized as an Ambassador for Justice by U.S. Attorney Booth Goodwin.

• Victoria Endres, of St. Albans, West Virginia, attends St. Albans High School. She plans to double-major in English and History education. Endres is a lead vocalist for her church praise band and a volunteer with her local hospital and library. She will attend Governor’s Honors Academy this summer. Endres is the third Yeager Scholar to be named from St. Albans in two years.

• Megan Haffner, of Waterford, Ohio, is a senior at Warren High School. Her major is Biology, and she plans to attend medical school. Haffner is heavily involved with the 4-H and FFA groups in her community and was a 4-H delegate to Argentina. She plays the oboe and participates in public speaking competitions.
• Caroline Kimbro is a homeschooled student in Fort Washington, Pennsylvania. She plans to major in communications and international studies. Kimbro is a principle player on the violin in the Philadelphia Sinfonia Youth Orchestra. She received the AP Scholar Award and is the recipient of the Union League of Philadelphia Good Citizenship Award.

• Kayleigh Nerhood, of Round Rock, Texas, is a senior at Cedar Ridge High School. She will major in Biology in hopes of becoming a physical therapist. Nerhood is an AP Scholar with Honor and earned a grade point average above 5.0 from 2012-15. She plays and referees soccer, and is president for the Health Occupations Students of America at her school.

• Aaron Roberts, of Reedy, West Virginia, is a senior at Roane County High School. He plans to major in microbiology. Roberts is a National Merit Finalist. He was the field commander for the Roane County High School marching band and serves as Student Council president.

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Service Learning newsletter available online

The Service Learning newsletter is out, and faculty staff are encouraged to take a look at it, said Dr. Kristi Fondren, associate professor of sociology and director of the Marshall University Service Learning Program.

“Click on the graphic to see what some of your colleagues and students have been doing in their service learning classes this academic year!” Fondren said.

Further information on service learning at Marshall is available by contacting Fondren by phone at 304-696-2795 or by e-mail to fondren@marshall.edu.
Marshall Faculty and Community Partners Gather at Ritter Park for the Service Learning Workshop and Course Design

Successful service learning experiences and courses rely on trained practitioners and informed community partners. Classrooms come alive as students serve to learn course content and also learn to serve and give back to their communities.

Our semester service learning workshops and course design provide faculty with the information needed to develop service learning experiences for their students. At our fall and spring workshops, held at Ritter Park’s Room with a View, faculty and community partners learn the nuts and bolts about service learning, and faculty learn how to integrate those components into their courses. In addition, the semester workshops and course design provide an excellent opportunity for Marshall University faculty and interested community partners to connect, share, and cultivate ideas for future service learning projects.

“Service learning is a teaching and learning methodology which fosters civic responsibility and applies classroom learning through meaningful service to the community. The strongest service learning experiences occur when the service is meaningfully immersed in ongoing learning and is a natural part of the curriculum that extends into the community. Service learning is an essential strategy in providing a rigorous and relevant curriculum which will prepare students to succeed” (WI Department of Public Instruction, 2010).

Thank you to all who attended and participated in either of our Fall or Spring Workshops. We hope that you enjoyed visiting with colleagues, new and old, and learning about the incredible opportunities service learning can bring to you, your students, and the greater community.

See you in August. Enjoy your summer! Kristi M. Fondren, Director MU Service Learning Program
www.marshall.edu/ctl/service-learning

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Harless Hall of Fame to welcome three new members in ceremony May 7

The June Harless Center for Rural Educational Research & Development Hall of Fame will gain three new members Thursday, May 7. They will be inducted during the 13th annual Harless Hall of Fame Dinner and ceremony at the Marshall University Foundation Hall, Home of the Erickson Alumni Center.

The event begins with a reception at 5:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m.

The ceremony is a time to show appreciation and give recognition to those people who have been identified as outstanding contributors to West Virginia’s educational system with special focus on the rural areas of the state.

Inductees into the Hall of Fame typically include one teacher, one administrator and one business/educational partner or organization that has provided exemplary leadership to ensure the success of the education of all students in West Virginia. This year’s hall of fame inductees include:

- West Virginia First Lady Joanne Tomblin, who has served as president of Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College since 1999. The First Lady is a spokesperson and advocate for education at all levels.

- The West Virginia Women’s Education Forum (WE). The WE group has partnered with the June Harless Center on educational projects including raising money to purchase iPads for use in Southern West Virginia schools for the Flipped Classroom Project. Currently the WE group is partnering with the June Harless Center to support the opening of an early childhood education research center in Gilbert, West Virginia.

- Ron Berger, Chief Academic Officer for Expeditionary Learning. His philosophy of how schooling should be experienced has been a major influence in the creation of the Explorer Academy in Cabell County as an educational research incubator for West Virginia.

Another highlight of the evening is the presentation of the Hallie Harless Distinguished Teacher Award which this year goes to Amanda Lester who teaches middle school science at Sandy River Middle School in McDowell County. She has been named teacher of the year at both Iaeger High School and Sandy River Middle School.

The Harless Center also will recognize Charles (Chuck) Heinlein, Deputy State Superintendent of Schools, and Dr. Jennifer Seydel, School Designer for Expeditionary Learning, for their unwavering support of June Harless Center initiatives and West Virginia educational programs.

The evening also will showcase the diverse initiatives in which the Harless Center has participated, such as partnership with Cabell County to open the Explorer Academy, the Shewey Science Academy, the Flipped Classroom initiative, the early childhood centers, Improving Teacher Quality grants in mathematics and science, and the Create Lab satellite with Carnegie Melon University.

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School of Medicine dean establishes scholarship in honor of wife

Joseph I. Shapiro, M.D., dean of the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, has established a scholarship at the school in honor of his wife, Mary Ryan Shapiro.

The Mary R. Shapiro Scholarship is an endowed scholarship that will be awarded to a medical student who is a poster or oral presentation winner at the annual School of Medicine Research Day. The award is renewable for three additional years pending normal academic progress.

“Mary and I are aware of our leadership responsibilities, and we believe that endowing scholarships is a way for all faculty and staff to empower future generations to serve the noble mission of our school,” said Joseph Shapiro.

The Shapiros came to Huntington in 2012 when Shapiro was named as the fifth dean of the School of Medicine. Mary is a registered nurse and the daughter of a physician. The couple has two daughters—Anna, a third-year medical student at the University of Toledo, and Laura, a junior at The Ohio State University.

“Dr. Shapiro wanted to not only express his love for his wife, Mary, but also his commitment to reducing medical student debt through scholarships and supporting student research,” said Linda S. Holmes, director of development and alumni affairs for the School of Medicine. “He leads by action, and this scholarship serves as a great encouragement to others to join the cause.”

Photo: A scholarship in honor of Mary Ryan Shapiro (pictured) was established by her husband, Joseph I. Shapiro, M.D., dean of the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine.
Marshall Health observes Better Hearing and Speech Month

Marshall Health's Ear, Nose and Throat specialists are celebrating May as Better Hearing and Speech Month and they would like to remind everyone about the signs of hearing loss, which include:

**Children & Youth**

- Lack of attention to sounds (birth-1 year)
- Not responding when you call his/her name (7 months-1 year)
- Not following simple directions (1-2 years)
- Showing delays in speech and language development (birth-3 years)
- Pulling or scratching at his/her ears
- Difficulty achieving academically, especially in reading and math

**Adults**

- Inattentiveness
- Buzzing or ringing in their ears
- Persistent ear discomfort after exposure to loud noise (regular and constant listening to electronics at high volumes)
- Avoiding conversation
- Social isolation
- Depression

In addition, studies have linked untreated hearing loss effects to:

- Irritability, negativism and anger
- Fatigue, tension, stress and depression
- Avoidance or withdrawal from social situations
- Reduced alertness and increased risk to personal safety
- Impaired memory and ability to learn new tasks
- Diminished psychological and overall health
Ways to help with hearing loss, they advise, are to schedule a hearing evaluation for you or a family member if you suspect hearing loss, and to ask your audiologist about the need for hearing aids or cochlear implants.

“Marshall Health’s Ear, Nose and Throat Specialists are here to serve all your hearing healthcare needs,” said audiologist Dr. Cathy Newman. She suggests calling 304-691-8690 to schedule a comprehensive hearing evaluation or to ask her any questions you may have regarding your or a family member’s hearing health care.

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Photo: Marshall Health’s Ear, Nose and Throat team includes (front row) Cathy Newman, Doctor of Audiology; Scott Gibbs, M.D., Otolaryngologist; (back row) Kayla Peyton, LPN; Patti King, LPN; Amber Nelson, Patient Liaison.

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Career Services creates ‘resume book’ for departments seeking MU Graduate Assistants

MU Career Services has created a resume book to aid in your search for fully admitted MU graduate students who would like to be considered for graduate assistantships at the university. While this will not be the only way to hire a GA, it gives hiring campus departments a single place to view many resumes and choose candidates to interview for GA positions.

For hiring campus departments who would like use this book:

- If you have need for a graduate assistant in the Fall or the Spring, you can get access to the resume book by contacting MU Career Services for the link.
- The link will be manually updated by Career Services at least once a week during peak times.
- You can search resumes and reach out to students you would like to consider for your position.
• Students will not be able to see who has searched and viewed their resumes unless you contact them about a position.
• You may still post your open GA positions to JobTrax to reach a greater number of students.

For more information or the link to using this new GA Resume Book, please contact Debby Stoler in Career Services, either by phone at 304-696-6679 or by e-mail to stolerd@marshall.edu.

Marshall Diabetes Education Program merits ADA recognition

The prestigious American Diabetes Association Education Recognition Certificate for a quality diabetes self-management education program was awarded to the Bruce S. Chertow Diabetes Center, an affiliate of Marshall Health, on April 29.

The association’s recertification of the Chertow Diabetes Center means the center’s educational programs meet the National Standards for Diabetes Self-Management Education Programs.

“The process gives professionals a national standard by which to measure the quality of services we provide,” said Gerry Bryant, RN/CDE, diabetes education program coordinator for the Chertow Diabetes Center. “It also assures the patient that he or she will receive high-quality service.”

Programs that achieve recognition status have a staff of knowledgeable health professionals who can provide participants with comprehensive information about diabetes management. Education recognition status is verified by an official certificate from ADA and awarded for four years. Original certification of the Marshall diabetes program was in 1992.

According to ADA, 29.1 million people, or 9.3 percent of the population, in the United States have diabetes. Each day, an estimated 4,600 people are diagnosed with diabetes in the U.S. Many will first learn that they have diabetes when they are treated for one of its serious complications such as heart disease, stroke, kidney disease, blindness, nerve disease or amputation.

For more information about diabetes or to schedule an appointment, contact the Chertow Diabetes Center, located in the Erma Ora Byrd Clinical Center, at 304-691-1000, www.marshallhealth.org.
Faculty Achievement: Dr. Robert Ellison

Dr. Robert Ellison, assistant professor of English, presented a paper, “Research Tools in Sermon Studies” April 17 at the spring meeting of the American Society of Church History in Minneapolis

The next issue of *We Are...Marshall* will be distributed May 13, 2015. Please send any materials for consideration to Pat Dickson by 5 p.m. Monday, May 11.