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Marshall faculty and staff achievements

Dr. LARRY D. KYLE, director of the Business Development and Training Methodology Initiative, recently published a journal article co-authored with an expert in computer science. The article, "A Survey of Techniques of Implementation in Object-Oriented Programming Languages," was published in the October issue of the Journal of Object-Oriented Programming Languages (JOPP), Vol. 8, No. 6, pp. 28-41.

Dr. HOWARD R. GORDON, professor of adult and technical education, will present his research paper titled "A Profile of the Productivity and Learning Style Preferences of Participants in Distance Education" at the 19th Eastern Education Research Conference scheduled Feb. 21-24 at Cambridge, Mass. GORDON's paper has been nominated for the Distinguished Paper Award by the Education and Technology Division of the Eastern Education Research Association.

Dr. JUDITH SORTE, associate dean of the School of Nursing, recently returned from Brazil. The trip was funded by the Partnership for the Americas. Dr. HISHAM AL-NAHRAWI, computer science professor, has published a journal article co-authored with Philippe Schubert of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.; three grandchil­ters of English, the West Virginia Association of English Teach­ers; and two students from the Marshall Division of Human Development and Allied Technology, recently participated in the semiannual meeting of the American Psychological Association.

Retired professor dies

Diana Cura Waldron, 72, of Huntington died Tuesday, Jan. 16, at her home. She was born Sept. 19, 1923, in London, England, a daugh­ter of the late Lutonius and Annie Gretchen Cura. Waldron received her degree, recently named its law building in his honor.

MU job fair to be held

Marshall University's College of Business will honor five business leaders on April 19 during its third annual Hall of Fame induction ceremony and dinner. The 1996 Business Hall of Fame inductees will be Lyall B. Clay of Charleston, John Deerink Drisko of Cleveland, Ohio, Ernest L. Hogan of Boca Raton, Fla., and Marshall T. Reynolds and Regina K. "Jerry" Zitter, both of Huntington.

Weber appointed to post

Charlotte N. Weber, executive assistant for federal programs at Marshall University, has been named interim director of the university's Robert C. Byrd for Advanced Flexible Manufacturing, according to MU President J. Wade Gillie.

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The chairman of the board of The Clay Foundation, Clay is an attorney and former publisher of the Charleston Daily Mail. He is former chairman of Clay Communications Inc. and has served as a director of the American Newspaper Association. Clay earned an M.A. degree at Marshall in 1956 and currently serves on the university's Institutional Board of Advisors. He has been a strong supporter of the arts.

An accomplished musician and composer, Clay wrote "Here Comes the Herd," which has been performed by the Marshall marching band. He was awarded a honorary doctor of music degree during Marshall's 1995 Commencement.

Drisko, a 1942 Marshall graduate, is senior managing par­ter with Baker & Hostetler, one of the nation's largest law firms, and is chairman of the boards of Cleveland Institute of Elec­tronics Inc., which he founded, and the Double D Ranch in Cohocton, Ohio.

He and his wife, Elizabeth Gibson Drisko, have been long­time supporters of higher education, having established 15 aca­demic chairs at several colleges and universities. His consistent and substantial contributions to Marshall span more than a quar­ter-century and include gifts of $1 million on two occasions. Marshall is the site of the John Deerink Drinko Academy for American Political Institutions and Civic Culture. Drisko is a member of The Marshall University Foundation Inc.

The Ohio State University, where Drisko received his law degree, recently named its law building in his honor.

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Huntington credit union establishes campus branch

Marshall University employees are eligible to join the City of Huntington Federal Credit Union, which has opened a branch office next to the MU Bookstore in Memorial Student Center. The branch office, which offers a full range of financial services, is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. to obtain further details contact the credit union branch office at (304) 696-4100 or stop by the branch office or the main office at 215 18th St.
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When she found that soap opera standards she was unacceptable as a normal teenage girl at 5’5” and 140 pounds. When she didn’t lose the weight quickly enough, it was written into her scripts that Dottie was a closet bigger. 

Art hadimitated iden. Valenza’s deepest shame was on na­tional television. Her one consolation was that the show could now exploit a story that millions of girls could relate to. It didn’t happen that way. The producers used her character’s compulsions as an ex­planation, trying to make her relapse a source of sympathy for her to further extremes to lose weight—binging, purging, laxa­tives, exercise and cocaine abuse. When the weight finally did come off, it was written into her script that it magically disappeared, unre­solved, unacknowledged and never explained. Real life wasn’t that simple. Though she seemed to be lead­ing a glamorous existence, Valenza was mentally and physically destroying herself. Eventually she was dropped from the show. She knew she needed help but the misconception that her eating disorder was due to her own weakness and failure made coun­seling a difficult step to take. 

Valenza finally did that step and today helps others gain understanding about the emotional and psychological per­cents of eating disorders, showing that they are diseases and not character flaws. At the same time, she turned her hand­won self-acceptance back into her work and recently portrayed an attractive, young 140-pound woman on “The Winds.” Her story, which is now told in public, is being sponsored by the Marshall University Women’s and Returning Student Cen­ter.

To obtain further details contact the Women’s and Return­ing Student Center, 304-696-3112.

Library hours announced

Marshall University’s James E. Morrison Library will ob­serve the following schedule during the spring semester, accord­ing to Josephine Fuller, director of libraries. The library will be open from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 7:45 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, and 1 to 10 p.m. Sunday. 

Well/fit classes slated

Project Well/Fit is offering an “Exercise Room Class” using treatments recommended by the “Dres­hald University Human Performance Laboratory in Henderson Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

A class titled “Yoga/Relaxation Techniques” also is being offered on Tuesdays from 4:45 to 6 p.m. in the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Conference Room in Henderson Cen­ter.

The class is designed to teach stress management and im­prove flexibility through yoga and other stress reduction and re­laxation methods. This introductory course is being offered free of charge.

To obtain further details contact the Project Well/Fit Office, 696-3668.