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Employee achievements

Dr. HISHAM AL-HADDAD, assistant professor of computer science, attended the ACM Computing Workshops. He participated in the Symposium on Computer Science Education (SIGCSE) and the Symposium on Applied Computing (SAC '96). AL-HADDAD is a member of the University's Program Committee. He attended tutorials, co-organized the Programming Languages technical track and served as session chair. He is an Executive Council member for SIGAP, the Inter-University Group on Applied Computing (SIGAPP) that sponsors the SAC activities. He was selected as an invited participant to chair the Programming Languages track for next year's conference (SAC '97). This year's conference was held Feb. 14-20 in Philadelphia, Pa.

Dr. DAVID A. BROWN, chairman of finance, presented a paper titled "Creative Financing of Residential Real Estate: An Evaluation of Risks and Opportunities" at the annual meeting of the American Society of Business and Behavioral Sciences held Feb. 11-15 in Las Vegas, Nev.

KENNETHE E. BLUE, associate vice president for multicultural affairs and coordinator of American Indian Students Program, attended the 42nd annual National Association of Student Affairs Professionals Conference sponsored Feb. 14-18 by Hamp­ton (Va.) University. In keeping with the Hampton-Mount Vernon partnership, BLUE met with Dr. Kimberly Lucas, administrative assistant to Dr. Elsner Daniels, executive vice president/pro­fessor, and Dr. Janet Anderson, assistant dean of student affairs and business, to review the partnership. He also met with Dr. Rodney D. Smith, dean of students, regarding student retention issues.

Dr. BEN F. MILLER, professor of music, had a busy February. He presented clinics titled "Percussion Tone Production" and "Percussion Teaching Strategies for Beginning and Intermediate Percussionists" at the Ohio Music Educators annual convention held Feb. 1-2 in Dayton. He was a guest artist/clinician and the Stylistic Satellite track from WOWK-TV. The station may do a live feed from the convention depending on the breaking news of the day. Friday's events will include a special concert for people who have been associated with Huntington High School's student newspaper, "The Tatler," over the years. "The Tatler" is the oldest continuously published high school newspaper in West Virginia.

Saturday's events will include workshops, a meeting of the Journalism students' National Honor Society and Heritage Banquet for students and past editors. MARSHALL UNIVERSITY• OFFICE OF UNIVERSITY RELATIONS• HUNTINGTON, WEST VIRGINIA

Marilyn McClure, a member of Marshall's journalism faculty and Mass Communications, the History Department and Community and Technical College. Active in many community organizations, McClure has served on the boards of River Cities United Way, Business Week and Marshall's West Virginia Private Industry Council, Tri-State Transit Authority, the West Virginia Health Systems Agency, the West Virginia State Bar Legal Ethics Committee, the Workers Compensation Performance Council, the NAACP, the Tri-State African-American Coalition, the Tri-State Literacy Council and Prestera Center.

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Harris selected to direct equity programs

David N. Harris of Huntington has been named director of equity programs at Marshall University, according to MU President J. Wade Gilley.

Harris is quality manager of the Metal Products Division, chairman of a board of directors and co-owner of Basic Supply Company.

He received a bachelor's degree in business administration and a master's degree in history from Marshall.

Harris previously served as personnel and compliance manager for Inco Alloys and served in the U.S. Army from 1966 to 1969 as a paratrooper.

He served on the MU Board of Advisors and has been a member of the board of directors of the Marshall University Alumni Association. He served as a part-time instructor in Marshall's History Department and Community and Technical College.

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SCORES festival slated

Approximately 3,000 high school students from West Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky are expected to participate in Marshall University's 18th annual SCORES Academic Festival on Wednesday, March 23, at the Huntington Civic Center. The theme for this year's Academic Festival, sponsored by the Marshall University SCORES (Search Committee on Recognition of Excellent Students) Department that is composed of representatives from every academic department on campus.

"The world of education is steadily moving toward a new and exciting 21st century," said Sherry Brooks, SCORES coordinator. "In order to prepare for the technologically and culturally different world of the future, we need to expose students to the scores of opportunities that are available in the world of education.

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Bolshoi Ballet on stage

Russia's Bolshoi Ballet, one of the premiere dance companies in the world, will perform for the Marshall Arts Series Monday, April 8, at 8 p.m. at the Keith-Albee Theatre.

Featuring 40 principal dancers from the company, the performance will include two classic ballets: "Chopiniana (Les Sylphides)" with music by Frederic Chopin, and Act II of "Giselle." Tickets are $22 and $26. Marshall faculty, staff, part-time students and youth will be admitted for half-price.

To obtain tickets or for further details contact the Marshall Arts Series Office, 696-6656.

High school media convention planned at MU

Approximately 250 high school journalism students from West Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky will meet at Marshall University Saturday and Sunday, March 29-30, for the 1996 United High School Media Convention. The convention will include sessions on the following:

Workshop topics will include the Internet, desktop publishing, photography, yearbooks, legal pitfalls for journalists, newspaper design and public relations for high school newspapers.

Reporters and producers from WSAZ-TV will discuss what it takes to produce the news during a presentation titled "Every Night at 6 & 11."

Dave Pecker of WSZW-TV will make a presentation titled "How I Report Storm Tracker Weather."

The conference keynote address will be given by Dr. Lyle C. Wilcox, senior vice president and provost, who recently was appointed vice chancellor for instructional technology for the state's higher education central office by Governor Gaston Caperton. Wilcox will discuss the impact of new technology on high school students.

McClure said more than 140 awards will be presented to high school newspapers, yearbook and broadcasting staffs at the 69th annual UHSSMC luncheon Saturday.

Sponsored by Marshall's W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications, the convention was established to improve and elevate the quality of scholastic journalism throughout West Virginia and the Tri-State area. It was founded by the school's first journalism professor, Page Pitt, in 1927.

To obtain further details about the convention contact McClure at Marshall's W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications, 304-696-2736.

Pollution will be topic

A videoconference titled "Pollution Prevention Through Environmental Management Systems (EMSS)" will be presented free of charge Wednesday, April 10, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Marshall University's Research and Economic Development Center.

The program is part of a series of videoconferences being sponsored locally by the Robert C. Byrd Institute for Flexible Manufacturing and the Center for Environmental, Geotechnical and Atmospheric Sciences.

To register or obtain further details contact Susan Dickson, 304-696-4839.

WAC workshop scheduled

A Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) faculty development workshop titled "Conferencing" will be held Wednesday, April 3, 3-5 p.m. in Harris Hall.

All faculty members are invited to attend the one-hour workshop.

To obtain further details contact Lana Boggs, WAC assistant, 696-4650.

MU excused absences...

Absences have been excused by the respective college deans for the following:

March 5—Joshua Saunders, Daniel White, Erica Revels, Alison McCarty.
March 6—Chad A. Isaac, William G. Howard, Steven B. Lively, Roy E. Redden II, Monique M. White, Jeannie D. Cook.
OOM yard sale scheduled

The spring sale of surplus university equipment and supplies will be held the week of April 22, according to William J. Shoodle, director of physical plant operations. Departments that have equipment and supplies to sell should contact Kevin Stagg, manager of central receiving, 696-6678, to coordinate tagging and pickup by Plant Operations. All material will be on display for faculty, staff and the general public from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday, April 22-25, in the Plant Operations Maintenance Building, located at 20th Street and Third Avenue. All items will be sold “as is where is” with no guarantee as to condition.

Written bids will be accepted from interested individuals until 5 p.m. on Tuesday, April 23, when the bids will be sorted and tabulated in the Purchasing Office.

Faculty can get funding

Applications for the final round of Quinlan Faculty Travel Funding are due in the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, 304-696-2956, for the 2002 spring semester. Full-time faculty and staff members are eligible for waivers, with a maximum award of six credit hours. All six credit hours can be taken in one session or divided between the terms. A separate waiver form will be required for each summer session. Applications will be due in the MU Graduate School Office by Wednesday, March 27.

To obtain further details contact the MU Graduate School Office. 696-2816.

GRANT APPLICATIONS DUE

Applications for Marshall University faculty summer research awards are due in the Graduate School Office, Old Main Room 113, by April 1, according to Lee Erickson, chair of the Research Committee.

Thirty-six grants of $2,000 each will be awarded this year. Application forms are available in the Graduate School Office and the Faculty Senate Office.

Jazz Project to perform

The Caribbean Jazz Project will perform for the Marshall Artists Series Wednesday, April 10, at 8 p.m. at the Keith-Albee Theatre.

The evening’s activities include a buffet dinner, bowling, “High Q” television program. All students registered for the Academic Festival will be able to participate in the “Quiz Bowl.”

Competition will begin after breakfast on Saturday, March 23, and continue throughout the morning. The teams will be scored and the results compiled while the students have lunch and attend specially prepared activities. Results will be announced following the awards ceremony at 1:30 p.m. in the Henderson Center. A hospitality hour for principals, counselors and parents will be held in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Center Lounge from 3:30 to 5 p.m. following the hospitality hour, A-K Mill Corporation and Justice Glass Supply Company will honor high school counselors who have supported the SCORES program for 10 or more years.

To obtain further details about the Academic Festival contact the Marshall University SCORES Office, 304-696-6752.

Senator meeting March 28

Marshall University’s Faculty Senate will meet Thursday, March 28, at 4 p.m. in the Patio Dining Area on the second floor of Memorial Student Center.

The meeting will include the following: approval of minutes of 2/22/96; announcements; report of the university president; ACRF report; four standing committee recommendations proposals for the addition/change of courses; 12 standing committee recommendations dealing with proposals for 1997-98 calendar, reserving the site between Fifth and Sixth avenues on Elm Street for the new Fine and Performing Arts Center; permitting permits for teaching assistants and unloading permits for teaching/graduate assistants, the naming of the new SGA computer laboratory, library funds, the amendment of Policy Bulletin 20 so faculty members can assign or - to undergraduate grades, the addition of a policy concerning vehicles on campus to the University Policies and Procedures Manual, amendment to the Code of Conduct, salary proposals, the adoption of interim Executive Policy Bulletin 10, proposals of changes to Employee Policy Bulletin 10 and student awards.

From 1-3 p.m. on March 28, full-time faculty and staff members are eligible for waivers, with a maximum award of six credit hours. All six credit hours can be taken in one session or divided between the terms. A separate waiver form will be required for each summer session. Applications will be due in the MU Graduate School Office by Wednesday, March 27.

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History symposium here

The West Virginia Historical Association will hold its annual symposium at Marshall University Friday and Saturday, March 29-30, in the Shepherd Center Alumni Lounge.

All of the sessions hosted by the Marshall University History Department, will be open to the public free of charge.

Friday’s programs, in Memorial Student Center Room 2922, will begin with a roundtable discussion of the recently released West Virginia History video series at 1 p.m. The discussion will be led by Dr. Robert J. Taylor.

Dr. Steve Riddell, professor of history at Marshall, will highlight maps and discuss his soon to be published “West Virginia Historical Atlas.”

A presentation titled “The Racial Integration of Shepherdstown and Shepherd College: A Case Study of Town and Gown” will be presented at 4 p.m. by Hannah Geffert of Shepherd College. Samels will conclude Friday’s program with an address at 8 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge.

Saturday’s programs will begin at 9 a.m. with a presentation by Dr. David Javersak of West Liberty State College. Javersak will discuss Wharton’s rejection of a public library funded by Andrew Carnegie.

Dr. Jerry Thomas of Shepherd College will present a paper titled “Hard Times: West Virginia in the Depths of the Great Depression” at 9:45 a.m. The symposium will close with a presentation by Dr. Stuart McGee of the West Virginia State College and the Geological Coal Archives in Bluefield. McGee will give a slide show/lecture detailing life and labor in a turn-of-the-century Pennsylvania coal mine.

To obtain further details about the West Virginia Historical Association symposium contact Dr. Paul Lutz in the Marshall University History Department, 304-696-2956.