International Festival will be held April 21

"A Celebration of Culture" will be the theme for Marshall University's 30th annual International Festival which will be held Sunday, April 21, beginning at 4 p.m. in the W. Don Morris Room in Memorial Student Center.

The festival will feature exotic foods, traditional music and dance and displays representing many different countries and cultures.

Exhibits and entertainment will be open to the public free of charge. Tickets for the food-serving session will be $6 for adults and $3 for children if purchased in advance, or $7 for adults and $4 for children if purchased at the door.

Dr. William A. Edwards, executive director of Marshall's Center for International Programs, said the festival is the perfect opportunity for individuals to celebrate the rich diversity found in the Tri-State.

"The International Festival allows the community to celebrate its multicultural heritage and showcases the many nationalities of those studying and teaching at Marshall University," said Edwards.

Eric Spears, coordinator of international student services, said the International Festival will give people a chance to see how the "global village" is taking shape. He said, "If you open your eyes a little, Huntington is quite an international area for such a small place."

The opportunities of the program are unique, according to Scott Hoppe, interim director of international students and scholars.

"In one place, and in one short span of time, a person can come in contact with many different cultures," said Hoppe.

All-State area resident and student attending the festival will order tickets or obtain further details about the International Festival contact Spears or Hoppe, 304-696-6265, or visit the Marshall University Center for International Programs in Old Main 212.

Three faculty members honored at convocation

LeGrow Welch White

Three Marshall University faculty members received Pickens-Queen awards during the university's Elizabeth Gibson Drinko Honors Convocation held April 4 in the Fine and Performing Arts Center.

The awards, presented for the first time, went to Dr. Christo­pher LeGrow, assistant professor of music; Dr. Lorraine Wel­ch, assistant professor of music, and Paula White, assistant profes­sor in the Division of Teacher Education.

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Library hours announced

Marshall University's James E. Moore Library will be closed Sunday, April 7, according to Josephine Fidler, director of li­braries. The special collections section will be closed Saturday and Sunday, April 6-7.

The library will be open Friday, April 5, from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Saturday, April 6, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Mon­day, April 8, from 7:45 a.m to 11 p.m.

Free catalogs available

The Marshall University Bookstore has copies of the follow­ing free catalogs available for all departments, faculty and staff:

- Office Supplies: Comprehensive Catalog (features 70,000 items for departmental or individual purchase); Basic Office Needs Catalog (quarterly catalog featuring 2,000 of the most commonly purchased items at special pricing); Computer Software Catalog (features regular software at special educational pricing); Nurs­ing and Allied Health Catalog, and Medical Books for the Health Profession.

- Obtain catalogs or further details contact the Marshall Uni­versity Bookstore, 696-2463 or 696-3622.

Lunch program scheduled

Project Well/Fit and Marriott Food Services are sponsoring a "Healthy Lunch" program for Marshall employees Thursday, April 11, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Twin Towers Cafeteria.

The lunch program, featuring a healthy meal, will be $4.24. Project Well/Fit will provide a variety of health assessments for faculty and staff. To obtain further details contact the Project Well/Fit Office, 696-3668.

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Faculty members given Pickens-Queen awards

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ments with the rank of instructor or assistant professor who has completed six years of full-time service at Marshall are eligible to be nominated for the awards.

LeGr0w teaches industrial organizational psychology courses at Marshall. He received his degree from the National Louis (N.L.L.) State College and his master's and doctoral degrees from Ohio University. Prior to joining the Marshall faculty three years ago, LeGr0w taught at the State University of New York at Oswego and Ohio University. In 1991 he received the Ohio University College of Arts and Sciences Outstanding Teaching Award for the Department of Psychology.

He has written several research papers for presentation at professional meetings and has been invited to present at conferences of the Midwestern Psychological Association and the Eastern Psychological Association.

Welch, director of guitar studies and coordinator of music theory, is Marshall's first full-time guitar faculty member. He has performed throughout the eastern United States and Europe and has published numerous articles in professional journals.

He received his bachelor's degree from the Crane School of Music, Potsdam, N.Y., and his master's and doctoral degrees from Florida State University. He also completed a variety of Bachelor's programs at the Eastman School of Music.

Welch, who joined the Marshall faculty in 1992, is fulfilling an artist-in-residency this spring in Cabell County schools.

The Honors Convocation program, sponsored by Marshall's John D. Hargrave Center for Academic Excellence, included the presentation of academic awards to students, the presentation of the Marshall and Shirley Reynolds Award for Excellence in Teaching and the presentation of the university's Distinguished Service Award.

White received her bachelor's and master's degrees from Marshall University. She is currently working on her doctoral degree at Virginia Commonwealth University.

She has been a member of Marshall's Teacher Education Division for the past 12 years, teaching a variety of mathematics courses. White has taught in Waynesville public schools and taught part-time at Marshall from 1992 to 1993. She has made presentations for the West Virginia Association for Middle Level Education and the Waynesville County Teachers' Academy and made a presentation on "Uses of Mathematics and Science" for the West Virginia Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

She also serves as treasurer of Phi Delta Kappa education honor society.

"The common traits that keep appearing in evaluations of all of the award winners are their willingness to help students and their ability to involve students in class and make them want to learn," said Dr. Sarah Denham, vice president for academic affairs at Marshall. "They already are valued members of the Marshall University faculty and we have great expectations for all three."

Classified staff election scheduled April 11

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employees union at Marshall. She lobbies the legislature on behalf of higher education and state employees, is a member of the SEIU-PAC and an active participant in the review and endorsement of area and state political candidates.

—Randy Price, head of circulation for the Health Science Library. Price, who also worked at Marshall while he was a student, has worked at the university since accepting a position in the James E. Morsby Library in 1972. He was named to the position in the Health Science Library in 1989. Price said since he has been a classified staff member for a number of years, he feels attuned to the needs and concerns of staff members. He said he will represent all classified staff members to the best of his ability if elected.

—Jan Weece, an employee at Marshall since October 1989. Weece is an administrative secretary in the Forensic Science Department. She has a part-time degree in psychology. Weece has worked toward a degree in the Regents B.A. Program. Weece said she has a deep concern for staff members. She has lobbied for pay raises, job security, fairness in grievance matters and other staff-related issues.

Candidates for the Advisory Council of Classified Employees are:

—David Cremeans, a Marshall employee for six years. Cremeans is a press operator II in the Graphics Department. He has a degree in the Regents B.A. Program. Weece said she has a bachelor's degree in elementary education from the Marshall University College of Education.

—Martha Deel, a Marshall employee for 17 years. Deel is an administrative assistant in the Office of the Vice President for Finance. She has a bachelor's degree in elementary education from the Marshall University College of Education.

—Jan Weece, an employee at Marshall for six years. Weece is a member of the board of directors of the West Virginia Foundation for Independent Living.

—Stephanie A. Neal, a Marshall employee for almost 11 years. She is an executive secretary at the John Deaver Drisko Academy. Neal has an associate in applied science degree in computer technology from Marshall and received her Regents B.A. degree in 1995. She currently serves as Staff Council historian and previously served as council secretary. She has served on numerous council committees. Neal said she is very much aware of the situation facing the classified staff, including the Mercer Classification System, Senate Bill 547, Series 37 and Series 62.

Choi announces retirement, reception slated

He and his wife, Chin, regularly attend business briefings in Charleston for trade and industry. They have two sons, Joon and Kun, and a daughter, Hyun, who graduated from the Seoul National University in Korea and Taiwan. In 1984 they sponsored a three-day visit to West Virginia for Korean Consul General Se-In Kim and the next year hosted a visit to a Korea delegation headed by Foreign Min­ister Park Ki-Bun.

Choi recently received commendations from West Virginia Governor Gaston Caperton and Congresswoman Nick J. Rahall and was honored by the West Virginia Senate and House of Delegates for his years of distinguished service to Marshall and the community.

Upon his retirement at the end of this academic year, Choi will be granted the title of distinguished professor emeritus of international politics, according to Marshall University President J. Wade Gilley.

"Korea is one of the most outgoing individuals on the Marshall University campus and students truly seem to enjoy his classes," said Gilley. "I'm confident he is going to be missed greatly and I want to wish him a retirement that is both long and happy."

Choi, who has taught approximately 15,000 students in his classes at Marshall, said he expects to continue teaching on a part-time basis as needed and perhaps work on some special projects for the university.

A reception honoring Choi will be held Tuesday, April 9, from 2 to 4 p.m. in Marshall's Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge.

The reception is open to all MU employees and students as well as community residents, is being sponsored by Marshall's College of Liberal Arts, Office of Academic Affairs and Political Science Department.

Student art on exhibit

An exhibition of works by six graduating art majors will be held in Birke Art Gallery through Wednesday, April 10.

The senior show is the culmination of an art major's requirements and, beginning with this exhibition, includes a written statement by each participant summarizing the aims underlying the works.

Works in the show reflect the concentration in graphic design of the seniors. Their professors are Annalistha Johnson of Hun­tington, Keith Ann Lever of Culloden and Thomas White of St. Albans. Two students from Huntington produced work in other areas: David Powell in sculpture and Michael Morgan in painting.

Birke Art Gallery is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m. and Monday from 7 to 9 p.m.

WAC workshop planned

A Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) faculty development workshop titled "Structuring Peer Review Sessions" will be held Tuesday, April 9, at 12:30 p.m. in Harris Hall Room 150. All faculty members are invited to attend the one-hour workshop. To obtain further details contact Dana Boggs, WAC assistant, 695-4650.