Dr. LARRY D. KYLE, director of the Institute for Business Development, chaired a review team for the Community Outreach Partnership Center (COPC) grant applications for the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. Team members were composed of COPC and UNA; the review process took place Aug. 4-9 in Washington, D.C. COPC is a competitive grant program for institutions of higher education, challenging them to submit proposals that will improve the quality of life in local communities by solving urban problems. The program has been named a semifinalist in the Ford Foundation’s Innovations In American Government Awards Program. It was one of 22 semifinalists selected from 1,560 applicants.

KAREN PARRISH BAKER of the Department of Counseling was one of six finalists for the American College Personnel Association’s Citation for Outstanding Performance. She was honored in the Ford Foundation’s Innovations In American Government Awards Program. It was one of 22 semifinalists selected from 1,560 applicants.

Dr. JEFFREY D. MAY and Dr. FRANK S. GILLIAM, associate professors in the Department of Biological Sciences, attended the 79th annual meeting of the American Association of University Women held Aug. 10-14 in Providence, R.I. MAY presented a paper titled “Establishing native woody vegetation in a created West Virginia wetland using direct-planted cuttings.” The paper concerned a three-year study carried out at the Green Bottom Wildlife Management Area in Cabell County. GILLIAM presented two papers: “Mass Communication and the American Century” and “The impact of holding a white picket sign in a N-saturated central Appalachian hardwood forest ecosystem,” co-authored with MU graduate student BRAD Y. GILLEY. The presentations were supported by the Department of Biological Sciences. GILLIAM related results of studies carried out at the Fernwex Experimental Forest (U.S. Forest Service) in Tuckerton, New Jersey. GILLEY’s work was supported by the Alumni Association’s “Quality Assurance,” “Delegation” and “Conflict Resolution.” GILLEY was also a World Health Organization consultant on curriculum for the United Nations Population Fund in the West African country of Sierra Leone.

Dr. JANE C. FOTOS, professor in the School of Nursing, attended the 100th anniversary and biennial convention of the American Nurses Association held Aug. 11-16 in Seattle, Wash. FOTOS is the current president of the West Virginia Nurses Association, District 5. She received an award for her work in conflict resolution and was invited to the 79th annual convention of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communications held Aug. 11-16 in Seattle, Wash. He presented a paper titled “Press Freedom in Liberia, 1830 to 1947: The Impact of Heterogeneity and Modernity” to a referent session titled “Press Suppression” sponsored by AEJMC’s History Division. His other paper, “Back to Religion, Back to Tradition: Religious Journals of His­ tory Leage (1805-1853)” was presented at a refereed paper session sponsored by AEJMC’s Magazine and Scholarly Journ­ alism division.

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Off-Off-Broadway Original Short Play Festival and will be published by Samuel French. He has two works included in "Baseball Monologues" being published by Heinemann and "Dead Fish" is under contract to be published as part of a collection of one-act plays.

Elwell is active in professional organizations and currently serves as chair of the National Academic Theatre Playwriting Program for the Association for Theatre in Higher Education (ATHE) and chair of the Southeastern Theatre Conference Playwriting Committee. He recently served as chair of the CTC develops programs

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locations, conducting business and doing research on the internet. The 15-credit-hour secretarial program will prepare participants to take the national Certified Professional Secretary (CPS) examination. It will focus on office procedures and related topics. Participants should have some experience in office procedures and computer literacy prior to enrolling in the program.

Doyle said successful completion of the CPS examination in some cases can be used for up to 30 hours of college credit. All of the classes in both specializations will be offered at various times to make them convenient for people to enroll.

Upon completion of the specialization programs students will be presented certificates indicating they have met course requirements.

Regular Marshall University tuition rates apply to the specialization programs and students must be enrolled to register. Registration for some courses may be conducted during the first class session. Classes will begin Sept. 3.

To obtain further details about the programs or registration procedures contact the Marshall University Community and Technical College, 304-696-5230, or call 1-800-906-4723.

COB named for alumnus

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serving as a meeting place for many civic organizations. She has been named Lion's Lady of the Year and Beta Sigma Phi Woman of the Year.

When the Quota Club of the Plateau Area honored Mrs. Lewis with a celebrity roast in 1991, she explained that her contributions were a result of decisions she and her husband made before his death. She explained that the Oak Hill area depended economically on one industry, creating a disadvantage to local youth with potential.

"We felt that education would open up the future to these young people in a multitude of professions," she concluded. Gilley said details of the Sept. 13 dedication program will be announced later.

Signet Theatre to present play, seminars


Produced by the award-winning Cleveland Signet Theatre, the play will be presented simultaneously in American Sign Language and spoken English by a combined cast of deaf and hearing people.

The Cleveland Signet Theatre (formerly known as the Fairmount Theatre of the Deaf) will be in residence at Marshall for more than two weeks in September as they prepare for the production. While in residence members will conduct workshops on theatre that brings deaf and hearing people together, physical communication, and acting and differently abled performers.

Dr. James J. Elwell, chair of Marshall's Theatre and Dance Department, said an extraordinary group of individuals and organizations have come together to make this opening production a success.

Contributors include: Very Special Arts West Virginia, the Birke Symposium, the Society of Yeager Scholars, the MU Maritime Studies Program, the Fine and Performing Arts Center, Marshall Theatre and Dance Department, J. Wade Gilley, and MU alumni John Felder and Robert Hinshaw.

Elwell also announced that the Marshall University Theatre has received a grant to expand services for patrons.

The James H. and Alice Teubert Charitable Trust provided funds that will make it possible for the theatre to offer an assistive listening system. The system will provide personal amplification for people who have hearing problems.

Elwell said the grant will allow the theatre in the near future to provide a descriptive listening service for the visually impaired.

To obtain further details about the production of "The Glass Menagerie," call 304-696-6770. To register or obtain further details about the program contact the Marshall University's Office of Continuing Education, 304-696-3113. Registration for some courses may be conducted during the first class session. Classes will begin Sept. 3.

The purpose of the fair is to acquaint students with activities and opportunities that are available to them, according to Andy Hermansdorfer, director of student activities and Greek affairs. Representatives from student groups will be able to distribute information about their organizations and recruit new members. Hermansdorfer said representatives from all university organizations and departments are encouraged to participate to acquaint students with programs and services.

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Shondel is promoted to brigadier general rank

William J. Shondel, director of purchasing and materials management at Marshall University, has been promoted to and officially recognized in the rank of brigadier general in the West Virginia Air National Guard.

A United States Air Force veteran, Shondel has been a member of the West Virginia National Guard for a number of years, serving since last October as chief of staff.

In West Virginia, the Air National Guard consists of two C-130 airlift wings, one in Charleston and one in Martinsville.

Prior to being named chief of staff, Shondel served as assistant adjutant general for air. He was appointed to that position in the field of personnel in August 1995 by Maj. Gen. Joseph J. Staff, then adjutant general for West Virginia.

Later in 1994, Shondel was approved for promotion to his current rank by an Air Force promotion board. In 1995 President Clinton submitted the promotion to the United States Senate for approval. That October, Shondel moved to the Chief of Staff position upon the reorganization of the Air National Guard.

In March of this year, Senator Robert C. Byrd nominated Shondel for his permanent federal rank and the Senate approved his promotion to the rank of brigadier general.

Shondel received bachelor's and master's degrees in history from Ohio State University and received a master's degree in business administration from Marshall in 1983. He joined the Marshall staff in 1976 as assistant to the vice president/dean of the School of Medicine and was appointed to his current position in 1985.

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