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TODAY, SILICON CHIPS; TOMORROW, THE HUMAN GENETIC CODE?

Student Suzanne Caynor describes her research to Marshall President J. Wade Gilley, using computerized data to illustrate. Caynor is a three-time winner of a NASA Space Grant Scholarship at Marshall. "My ultimate goal would include a pursuit of a Ph.D. in biomedical sciences and an opportunity to be a part of the advancement of the Human Genome Project," she said.

Marshall students get NASA space scholarships

Ten Marshall students preparing for careers in medicine and other sciences have received NASA Space Grant Scholarships for research projects, according to Dr. Susan DeMesquita, professor of physiology.

The scholarship winners are Charles Priestley of Sumerco; Samuel N. Lovejoy of Scott Depot; Jennifer M. Jenkins of Kitts Hill, Ohio; and Suzanne Caynor, R. Christopher Harmon, John Rahall, Marc A. Midkiff, Brett E. Harris, Marzieh Hatamzadeh, and Ryan R. Copeland, all of Huntington.

The students' projects range from mathematical research to an analysis of changes in protein production by brine shrimp that live in space or other low-gravity environments. Other studies focus on topics in chemistry, engineering and pharmacology. The students get \$700 to \$1,000 to cover their work and supplies.

Since 1992, Marshall has awarded 46 NASA Space Grant Scholarships.

"In addition to the \$9,500 NASA has given to the projects at Marshall, President Wade Gilley has provided more than \$25,000 in matching and extra funds to bring the total to \$35,430," Dr. DeMesquita said.

SOM a leader in percentage of primary care graduates

The Marshall University School of Medicine now ranks No. 2 nationally in the percentage of graduates entering primary care practices, according to new figures released by the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC).

With 42 percent of graduates entering careers in family practice, general internal medicine and general pediatrics, Marshall shares the second-place ranking with Southern Illinois University. The Mercer University School of Medicine in Macon, Ga., ranks first with 44 percent.

The use of "community classrooms" contributes greatly to

Design conference set

National authorities on interactive multimedia design will offer hands-on training and seminars at Marshall University's Influences 7: Designing for Interactive Media conference March 1-3.

"With affordable technology, interactive media has evolved from a mere curiosity to a multi-billion dollar industry that is revolutionizing training in business, education and medicine," explained Kathalyn McCullough, Marshall University's conferences and institutes coordinator. "Influences 7 has been designed to bring together leading developers in this technology with the end users for hands-on training."

Influences 7, expected to draw approximately 400 attendees due mainly to the expertise of the speakers and the modest cost, has been tailored for individuals involved in corporate communications, education, health care, graphic arts and computer related fields, from beginners to the advanced.

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Marshall's success in cultivating generalist physicians, three MU officials reported in an exhibit presented at the AAMC annual meeting in October.

"Marshall integrated the rural primary care focus into its programs at every level, from student selection to post-residency support," according to the abstract presented by Dr. Patrick I. Brown, Dr. Linda M. Savory and JoAnn Raines. "The school capitalized on its community-based structure by supplementing its hospital affiliations with linkages to rural practices."

Marshall uses such classrooms in several key programs, they noted, including:

- A mock epidemic, in which volunteers in Hamlin open their offices and homes to students trying to sharpen their epidemiological skills;

- An integrated course on Health Promotion and Disease Prevention that provides first- and second-year medical students with ongoing primary care experiences;

- The Rural Physician Associate Program, in which selected third-year students spend nine months working with a rural physician; and

- The Kellogg Community Partnership program and the Rural Health Initiative, through which Marshall cooperates with the state's other health professions schools to offer students experiences at more than 125 sites.

The AAMC rankings of 125 U.S. medical schools showed Marshall was one of just four that had 40 percent or more of their graduates enter primary care; the average rate was 25 percent.

The AAMC study was based on medical school graduates in

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'Influences' to focus on multimedia design

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The Marshall University Faculty Development Committee is making a limited number of registrations available for full-time faculty members in the colleges of Business, Liberal Arts, Education, Science and the Community and Technical College. Faculty members who want to attend the conference should submit re-

ADK endows scholarship

Alpha Delta Kappa, professional association of women educators, has completed funding for the endowment of an ADK Doris C. Miller Scholarship at Marshall University.

Dr. Carolyn B. Hunter, Marshall assistant vice president for institutional advancement, said the memorial scholarship was a fund-raising project of Alpha Delta Kappa, of which Mrs. Miller was a member.

Mrs. Miller, who earned a B.A. degree in 1934 and an M.A. degree in 1943, both from Marshall, was a teacher, historian, genealogist, poet and author. She died Feb. 28, 1993, at age 89.

Her publications included three volumes of poetry, "Who Burnished the Lamp," "Desert the Mirror," and "Winged Thoughts." She was author of "The Centennial History of Huntington, West Virginia" (1972) and wrote "Christmas Memories," a collection of stories. After retiring as a staff writer for the Huntington Publishing Co., she wrote lead stories and a weekly column titled "Tree Searching" for the Press Observer.

Medical school a leader

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1988, 1989 and 1990 who completed residencies in the primary care fields without entering subspecialty training by the 1993-94 academic year. Using percentages derived from historical data, researchers then calculated how many of those graduates are likely to remain in primary care fields.

Marshall also ranks second among U.S. medical schools in the percentage of graduates entering family practice residencies, according to a separate study released last fall by the American Academy of Family Physicians. The school has held that position for two years.

Letter of appreciation

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

Thank you so much for the lovely planter I received during my recent illness.

Your consideration and thoughtfulness are very much appreciated.

Sincerely,
Carolyn Hunter

quests through their respective deans.

Seminar and workshop sessions will include electronic painting, digital sound, Adobe Premier software, using Mosaic, Macromedia software, 3-D modeling, font design, on-line services panel discussion, and case studies presented by Fitch Inc. and the Marshall University Computer Center.

Speakers include Tom Dalrymple, Bell Atlantic director of networked interactive multimedia/distance learning; Geoffrey Gardner, director of product development for 3-D animation system at the New York Institute of Technology's Computer Graphics Laboratories Inc.; Hugh Dubberly, manager of Apple's Corporate Identity and Design group; Aaron Marcus, president of Aaron Marcus and Associates of San Francisco; Michael Nash, multimedia developer, The Voyager Company; Rick Peifer, president, Educational Multimedia Concepts Ltd.; Wendy Richmond, co-founder, the Design Lab at WGBH-TV in Boston; Erik Spiekerman, president, MetaDesign, and Sumner Stone, author of the book "OnStone: The Art and Use of Typography on the Personal Computer."

Influences 7 is jointly hosted by the Marshall University Art Department and the School of Medicine. This is the seventh Influences symposium hosted by the Art Department in nine years.

"Previous Influences symposiums were directed toward artists and individuals in commercial and graphic arts," according to Robert Rowe, Marshall art professor and conference developer. "We believe it is important to open the conference to individuals in various occupations because of the end user's occupational diversity when it comes to interactive multimedia design."

To obtain further details contact Marshall's Conferences and Institutes Office, 696-3312.

Arthur exhibit at WVSC

An exhibition of photographs by Dr. G.F. Kojo Arthur, associate professor in the Educational Foundations Department at Marshall University, will be on display in the Davis Fine Arts Building at West Virginia State College, Institute, from Jan. 31 through Feb. 24.

Arthur said the exhibition, "Cloth as Metaphor: Textile Symbols from Ghana," is based on a study he is conducting on symbols and signs used in the writings of a so-called "pre-literate" society.

Arthur will give a lecture in conjunction with the exhibition on Tuesday, Feb. 7, at 3 p.m. at West Virginia State College.

To obtain further details contact Arthur at Marshall University, 696-2876, or Dr. Molly Erlandson at West Virginia State College, 766-3196 or 766-3338.

Quinlan funds available

Applications for the third round of Quinlan Faculty Travel Fund grants are due in the Provost's Office by Feb. 6, according to Dr. Lee Erickson, chair of the Marshall University Research Committee.

Application forms are available in the Faculty Senate Office and the Provost's Office.



Dr. Betty J. Cleckley, Marshall University vice president for multicultural and international programs, presents a \$10,000 check to Marshall President J. Wade Gilley, right, and Dr. Edward G. "Ned" Boehm Jr., MU senior vice president for institutional advancement.

Writers Series scheduled

Three distinguished writers will participate in Marshall University's Visiting Writers Series this semester, according to Art Stringer of the MU English Department.

Poet Timothy Russell will read from his prize-winning book, "Adversaria," on Feb. 13 at 8 p.m. in the Alumni Lounge in Memorial Student Center. Russell's poems have been widely published. He is the 1993 recipient of the Terence Des Pres Prize from TriQuarterly Books/Northwestern University Press.

Nationally known fiction writer William Hoffman, author of 10 novels and three collections of short stories, will read selections from his work on March 20 at 4 p.m. in Birke Art Gallery. Hoffman recently received the prestigious John Dos Passos Prize for Literature.

Poet Gibbons Ruark, an established figure on the American poetry scene, will read April 27 at 8 p.m. in the Alumni Lounge. Ruark's fourth collection of poems, "Rescue the Perishing," was recently published by the Louisiana State University Press.

Books by the writers are available in the Marshall University Bookstore and will be available at the readings.

All of the presentations will be open to the public free of charge.

The Visiting Writers Series is supported by a grant from the West Virginia Humanities Council as well as the MU College of Liberal Arts and Provost's Office.

To obtain further details contact Stringer in the Marshall University English Department, 696-2403.

Wilkinson adds to fund

Walter R. Wilkinson, M.D., a retired Huntington surgeon, has contributed an additional \$20,000 to a scholarship honoring his father, Dr. R. J. Wilkinson, at the Marshall University School of Medicine.

The elder Dr. Wilkinson was the first surgeon and chief of staff at the city's former C & O Hospital. Under his administration, from 1915 to 1953, modern X-ray and laboratory facilities were installed and a nursing education program was created.

Lucy M. Wilkinson established the Wilkinson Memorial Scholarship in memory of her brother in 1979, following the creation of the School of Medicine.

Cleckley establishes memorial scholarship

Dr. Betty J. Cleckley, Marshall University vice president for multicultural and international programs, has donated \$10,000 to The Marshall University Foundation Inc. to endow a scholarship in memory of her parents and her brother.

In a letter to Dr. Edward G. "Ned" Boehm Jr., Marshall senior vice president for institutional advancement, Cleckley said she was establishing the Dan, Reverend Ellen Dorroh and Gustavus Werber Cleckley Memorial Scholarship Fund to "enhance diversity of future Marshall University classes."

Marshall President J. Wade Gilley and Boehm, who also serves as executive director of the Marshall Foundation, accepted her gift.

"Providing more scholarships is a top priority for us," Gilley said. "Betty Cleckley is well aware of Marshall's needs as she works with students every day. We're very pleased that she chose to memorialize her family members through a means that will assist many others."

Dr. Cleckley said her donation was in recognition of what she had learned from her family. She described her father, Dan Cleckley, as a "hard-working laborer." Her mother, The Rev. Ellen Dorroh Cleckley, founded the Eighth Avenue Church of God in Huntington in the 1940s and served as pastor until her death in 1972.

Her brother, Gustavus, attended Marshall and served as president of the Huntington Chapter of the NAACP. He played an important role in integrating downtown restaurants. A veteran of the Vietnam War, he was wounded, received the Purple Heart and was honored for courageous service.

"As the world's scope of information and technology broadens and becomes more complex, I hope this memorial scholarship fund will help black students to meet the challenge," Cleckley said. "It is to assist full-time black undergraduate students and/or full-time black graduate students, and/or black Carter G. Woodson Faculty candidates who are in the process of writing the dissertation."

Cleckley said in addition to honoring her family "from whom I gained an awful lot," her gift is to recognize students for their "scholarship, leadership and service to their communities."

To qualify for the scholarship, undergraduate students must have a 2.7 overall grade point average (on a 4.0 scale) and graduate students must have at least a 3.0 overall grade point average.

"Hopefully, these students will return to their respective communities at some time in their careers and make their place in life as happy, healthy and productive adults," Cleckley said.

Grant applications due

The deadline for faculty members to submit applications for travel grants through the INCO Endowment Fund is Monday, Jan. 30, according to Margaret Gripshover, chair of the Marshall University Faculty Development Committee.

Application forms are available in the Faculty Senate Office on the second floor of Northcott Hall.

Funding will be for faculty participation in events for professional development only. Faculty wishing to fund travel to present papers, chair sessions or serve as panelists will be referred to the Research Committee.

Completed applications should be returned to the Faculty Senate Office.

Marshall faculty and staff achievements

Dr. DAVID HATFIELD of Marshall University's English Department and Tom S. Sloane of West Virginia University will give the conference feature address at the MacBeth National Conference, "Computing in the Liberal Arts and Science," scheduled April 21-22 at Bethany College. The conference explores how Macintosh computer applications are incorporated in the humanities, social sciences and sciences. HATFIELD and Sloane were recipients of a Bethany MacBeth Award for their presentation at last year's conference. The awards are presented for excellence in the use of the Macintosh computer in the college classroom. Their 1994 presentation demonstrated methodology used to link students from both universities in a common classroom via Ethernet Gateways into the Internet.

Dr. ROBERT WALKER, WILLIAM LUCAS and Dr. RICHARD CRESPO of the Department of Family and Community Health in Marshall's School of Medicine were co-authors of an article titled "The West Virginia Rural Cancer Prevention Project" that was published in the November/December 1994 issue of *Cancer Practice* (Vol. 2, No. 6; pp. 421-426).

Dr. EVELYN PUPPLO-CODY, associate professor of mathematics, and Dr. T.J. Suffridge, professor of mathematics at the University of Kentucky, had an article titled "A Family of Mero-morphic Univalent Functions" published in the January 1995 is-

Great teachers sought

A "Great Teachers Institute," sponsored by the West Virginia Faculty Development Network and the State College and University systems of West Virginia will be held June 20-23 at North Bend State Park.

Five Marshall University faculty members will be selected to attend the institute which is based on the premise that teachers learn teaching best from one another, according to Dr. Sarah Denman, associate vice president for academic affairs.

Criteria for selection will be based on teaching effectiveness, scholarly accomplishments, service to the university and service to the community.

Information pertaining to the institute will be distributed to faculty members and deans. To obtain further details contact the Provost's Office, 696-3007 or 696-5442.

Grants will be awarded

The National Research Council will award approximately 400 full-time "Associateships" during its 1995 Resident, Cooperative and Postdoctoral Research Associateship Program being conducted on behalf of federal agencies and research institutions.

Dr. Leonard Deutsch, dean of the MU Graduate School, said the program provides opportunities for Ph.D. scientists and engineers to conduct research on problems largely of their choosing.

Associateships will be awarded on a competitive basis for research in: chemistry; earth and atmospheric sciences; engineering; applied sciences and computer science; life, medical and behavioral sciences; mathematics; space and planetary sciences, and physics.

Stipends for recent doctoral graduates will range from \$30,000 to \$45,000 depending on the sponsoring laboratory. Stipends will be appropriately higher for senior associates.

Applications submitted directly to the National Research Council are accepted on a continuous basis throughout the year.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Graduate School Office, 696-6606, Old Main Room 113,

sue of the *Michigan Mathematical Journal*.

Dr. STEVE SHUKLIAN, associate professor of economics, recently attended the annual meeting of the Allied Social Sciences Association held Jan. 5-8 in Washington, D.C. He presented a paper titled "Marx and Minsky on Financial Instability: A Synthesis" during a session on "Post-Keynesian Financial Studies" and served as chair and discussant for a session on "New Developments in Marxian Political Economy." SHUKLIAN has been asked to contribute a paper on "Poverty and Inequality in America: A Radical Institutional Perspective" to a book titled "Inequality: Radical Institutional Perspectives on Race, Gender, Class and Nation." The book will be edited by William Dugger of the University of Tulsa.

Dr. WILLIAM B. RHOTEN, professor and chair of the Department of Anatomy, Cell and Neurobiology at the School of Medicine, recently returned from Kona, Hawaii, where he attended the annual Winter Conference of the Association of Anatomy, Cell Biology and Neurobiology Chairpersons. As a result of the meeting, RHOTEN is serving on the Gross Anatomy Working Group for the United States/Canadian Curriculum in the Anatomical Sciences.

Dr. SUSAN C. POWER, assistant professor of art, has been appointed by Governor Gaston Caperton and State School Superintendent Henry Marockie to the "Education First Panel" for West Virginia. The panel will set the agenda for future education in the state and direct planning in professional development, standards, technology and community relations.

Dr. MARJORIE L. McINERNEY, associate professor of management, presented a paper on "Career Mobility: Tips on the Promotion and Tenure System" at the International Conference on Women in Higher Education held in January in San Francisco, Calif.

Dr. WILLIAM PALMER, professor of history, organized a session on "Multiple Kingdoms and the Early Modern State: The Case of the British Isles" at the annual meeting of the American Historical Association held Jan. 5-8 in Chicago. He also presented a paper titled "Tudor Rebellions in England and Ireland: Some Comparisons."

Dr. F. DAVID WILKIN, dean of the Community and Technical College, was elected to the board of directors of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Tri-State at the organization's annual meeting held Jan. 17. Persons interested in serving as a big brother or big sister can contact WILKIN.

BELEN D. SULTAN, associate professor of nursing, took part in an exchange program sponsored by Partners of the Americas. She left Dec. 8 for Vitoria, Espirito Santo, Brazil, and returned Jan. 8. She taught 30 hours of health assessment to registered nurses and presented 15 hours of lectures regarding diabetic screening and patient teaching to nursing students at the School of Nursing Federal University of Espirito. She also observed the delivery of health care in the rural areas surrounding Vitoria.

Lunchbag seminar set

A lunchbag seminar titled "Non-substance Addictions" will be presented Wednesday, Feb. 1, at noon in Prichard Hall Room 143.

Gary Patton of St. Mary's Hospital will explain how various behaviors become addictive.

The seminar is open to the public free of charge. To obtain further details contact the Office of Women's Programs, 696-3112.