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# MU NEWSLETTER

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## King Symposium events planned March 2-5

"We shall overcome. We shall overcome beginning Wednesday, March 2," said Dr. Betty J. Cleckley, vice president for multicultural and international programs at Marshall University, paraphrasing the old hymn adopted during the 1960s for the civil rights movement.

She was referring to the first annual Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. Symposium which originally had been scheduled in January but had to be postponed due to inclement weather. Symposium events have been rescheduled March 2, 3 and 5.

"Advancing the Dream and Promoting Social Justice" will be the theme for the symposium which will include a memorial service, a play and presentations by nationally prominent speakers.

"We were disappointed that we had to postpone the symposium," Cleckley said. "Several people put in a lot of hard work to plan and arrange an outstanding program. Fortunately, we have been able to overcome many problems and reschedule many of the activities."

Cleckley said the symposium planning committee composed of community leaders and Marshall University faculty, staff and students hopes to accomplish the following objectives through the program:

--To encourage students, teachers and community residents to identify and address issues and questions about inequality,

human rights and social justice.

--To increase knowledge and perspectives about Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. and his value to society.

--To encourage commitment to social justice and new efforts to promote social justice for all.

--To improve intergroup relations.

The schedule includes the following:

### Wednesday, March 2

7 p.m. **"The Meeting,"** an award winning play about what might have happened had Dr. King met Malcolm X, at the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse in Marshall's Fine and Performing Arts Center.

### Thursday, March 3

7 p.m. **Lecture and discussion titled "Martin, Malcolm and America" by Dr. James H. Cone,** a noted author and distinguished professor at Union Theological Seminary in New York, in Marshall's Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge.

### Saturday, March 5

7 p.m. **Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Service** with special guest speaker Dr. Riggins R. Earl Jr., professor at the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Ga., at the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, 1647 Ninth Ave.

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## Mail room moved to OM

Marshall University's mail room has been moved from the Public Safety Building to Old Main Room B-23, according to William S. Deel, director of campus technology.

The new mail room is located in the front of Old Main in the basement on the southwest corner adjacent to Northcott Hall. The lobby hours for the mail room will be from 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

Entry to the new facility will be available from the outside and the hallway in Old Main. The outside door will be the only entry open on Saturdays. There will be no access to the rest of the building through the mail room on Saturdays.

Departments and offices that previously had mailboxes in the facility on Fifth Avenue or the old mail room in the basement of Old Main have been assigned boxes (and lock combinations) in the new mail room.

Deel said only metered mail (that being charged to a university department) and campus mail will be handled at the new mail room. Stamped mail must be deposited in a box located outside adjacent to the mail room. He said the USPS also plans to provide a box for express mail being sent from campus.

"Please note that we will no longer honor requests for individual mailboxes," said Deel. "Because we exist to process university mail, we are requiring that all mail being received by the university be processed through a Marshall University departmental mailbox. Our goal is to provide the best possible service in processing the university mail."

## Former IDF officer to speak

Lt. Col. Itzhak Itzhaki, former head of the educational branch in the general headquarters of the Israel Defense Forces (IDF) and now a teacher and Bible interpreter, will give a lecture and slide presentation titled "The Bible and Archaeology" at Marshall University on Monday, March 7, at 7:30 p.m. in the W. Don Morris Room in Memorial Student Center.

The presentation, open to the public free of charge, will concentrate on a discussion of everyday life in Biblical times including the economy and ritual, communal and family life, according to Dr. Lynne Mayer, assistant vice president for institutional advancement at Marshall.

Itzhaki's presentation at Marshall is being co-sponsored by the university's John R. Hall Center for Academic Excellence and the Federated Jewish Charities of Huntington. His visit was arranged through the B'Nai B'Rith Lecture Bureau.

Mayer said Itzhaki has won international acclaim as a dynamic teacher and interpreter of the Bible as the living history. She said his lecture will discuss exciting new findings in the field of archaeology and new perspectives on Biblical concepts.

Itzhaki joined the IDF in 1948 and took part in the War of (Continued on page 2)

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Independence in Jerusalem as a platoon commander. After the war, in 1949, he was appointed education officer of a brigade and in 1950 education officer of the Territorial Central Command. From 1960 to 1963 he served as the commander of the Central Military School of Education.

## Symposium events set

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All of the activities will be open to the public free of charge except for the performance of "The Meeting" on Wednesday, March 2. There will be an admission charge for the play of \$6 for adults and \$3 for youth 17 and under. Full-time Marshall students with valid identification and activity cards will be admitted free.

Cleckley said other activities originally planned may be rescheduled in the near future. The symposium is being sponsored by Marshall University, the City of Huntington and the local chapter of the NAACP.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Office of Multicultural and International Programs, 696-5430 or 696-4677.

## Grant details available

Fulbright opportunities are available for university lecturing or advanced research in nearly 140 countries, according to Dr. Sarah Denman, associate vice president for institutional advancement.

Scholars in all academic ranks are eligible to apply, from junior faculty to professor emeriti. Applications also are encouraged from professionals outside academe, as well as from faculty at all types of institutions.

Awards range from two months to a full academic year. Many of the assignments are flexible. Openings exist in almost every area of the humanities, social sciences, natural and applied sciences, the arts and professional fields such as business, journalism and law.

The basic eligibility requirements for a Fulbright award are U.S. citizenship and a Ph.D. or comparable professional qualifications. For lecturing awards, university or college teaching experience is expected. Language skills are needed for some countries but most lecturing assignments are in English.

A single deadline of Aug. 1, 1994, exists for research and lecturing grants. Other deadlines are in place for special programs.

To obtain further details contact Denman, 696-3007.

## Excused absences . . .

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

Feb. 24-25--Valicia Hill.

He completed 21 years of service with the IDF and was in charge of its famed Yediat Ha-aretz (Knowledge of the Land) program which taught young Israelis the history and geography of their land.

In 1967 he visited the United States through a grant awarded to him for his work in adult education by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

Upon retiring from the IDF in 1969, Itzhaki became director of the Pedagogic Center of the Israel Ministry of Education where he supervised development of curricula in the public schools and devised training aids for teachers. He currently serves as an educational consultant to many institutions in Israel and South Africa but his main work in Israel is the training of teachers.

Itzhaki has toured the United States several times as a B'Nai B'Rith Visiting Lecturer and is the author of many study materials related to the Bible.

To obtain further details contact Mayer at Marshall University, 696-2239.

## Employee achievements

WILLIAM L. REDD, associate professor in the Legal Assistant Program of Marshall University's Community and Technical College, has been appointed moderator of a symposium to be conducted at the annual meeting of the West Virginia State Bar in April. He will moderate the 10 a.m.-noon session of the Minority Lawyer Committee Symposium, "Federal Uniform Sentencing Guidelines--Pros and Cons." The April 29 event will be held in the Charleston Marriott Hotel. Panelists will be federal judges Charles Haden and Irene Keeley; Professor Claude Weatherspoon of Capital University College of Law, Columbus, Ohio; Michael Carey, former U.S. attorney for southern West Virginia, and Rebecca Betts, current U.S. attorney for southern West Virginia. REDD, a Huntington attorney and Marshall alumnus, has been a member of the Community and Technical College's full-time faculty since 1989.

Dr. ROBERT KRIEBEL and LAURA WYANT of the Adult and Technical Education program attended the ninth annual National Association for Science, Technology and Society meeting held Jan. 21-23 in Arlington, Va.

Dr. S. ED ZAKRZEWSKI, associate professor of safety technology programs, has been appointed Visiting Fellow for this summer at Edith Cowan University, Perth, Western Australia, sponsored by the state government Department of Health, Safety and Welfare. Activities will include presenting current safety research and curriculum development in the field of occupational safety and health.

Dr. KEITH E. BARENKLAU of the Safety Technology Program conducted a four-hour workshop on Safety Program Development at the second annual Construction Safety Conference held Feb. 24 at the Mine Health and Safety Academy in Beckley. The Safety Technology Program is a co-sponsor of the event along with West Virginia University and area trade groups. Most conference participants are practicing safety professionals.



**Dr. Ralph W. Taylor, left, professor of biological sciences and associate dean of Marshall University's College of Science, presents West Virginia Governor Gaston Caperton a "River Keeper" award from the Ohio River Basin Consortium.**

## Governor gets award on behalf of 'River Keepers'

Dr. Ralph W. Taylor, professor of biological sciences and associate dean of Marshall University's College of Science, recently presented a "River Keeper" award to Governor Gaston Caperton.

Taylor accepted the award on behalf of the governor at the ninth annual fall meeting of the Ohio River Basin Consortium held in Louisville, Ky.

The consortium is composed of scientists representing colleges, universities, industries and governmental agencies which have an interest in upgrading water quality and the overall ecology of the Ohio River and its tributaries. Membership in the organization is held by institutions in Tennessee, Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Virginia and West Virginia.

Taylor said the concept of a "river keeper" originated in medieval England when owners of large landholdings would hire river keepers to ensure that polluters and poachers did not destroy their prime trout streams.

"The consortium has picked up the idea and each year presents a 'River Keeper' award to a person or group involved in some aspect of Ohio River conservation," explained Taylor.

"This year it was decided that since the people of the states along the Ohio River each year are involved in operation 'River Sweep,' removing many tons of trash from the river, these efforts should be recognized. The consortium therefore decided to present awards to the governors, as representatives of the people, of each state that participates in 'River Sweep.'"

Taylor said the 10th annual meeting of the Ohio River Basin Consortium will be held Oct. 30 through Nov. 1 at Marshall.

The program will have sessions dedicated to all aspects of Ohio River study including: the settlement, anthropology and history of the inhabitants of the basin; the biology of the basin; water quality; the invasion of zebra mussels, and protection of the basin by governmental agencies.

To obtain further details about the meeting contact Taylor at Marshall University, 696-2338.

## 'The Meeting' will be presented March 2

"The Meeting," an award-winning play about what might have happened if Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. had met Malcolm X, will be presented Wednesday, March 2, at 7 p.m. in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse in Marshall University's Fine and Performing Arts Center.

The performance by the Pin Points Theatre of Washington, D.C., is being presented in conjunction with the Martin Luther King Jr. Symposium being sponsored by Marshall University, the City of Huntington and the Cabell County/Huntington Branch of the NAACP. The symposium was originally scheduled in January but had to be postponed until March 2, 3 and 5 due to inclement weather.

Pin Points Theatre's contemporary and historic adaptations have been highly acclaimed by the Smithsonian Institution, the Washington, D.C., Commission on the Arts and other organizations. Performances have been presented at more than 2,000 schools throughout the United States.

Ersky Freeman, founder of Pin Points Theatre, will portray Malcolm X. Greenfair Moses III, a nationally recognized Martin Luther King Jr. impersonator, will play King.

Freeman said the purpose of Pin Points Theatre is to utilize art to educate and entertain and to serve as an employment and training platform for both accomplished and aspiring artists.

There will be an admission charge for the performance of \$6 for adults and \$3 for youth 17 and under. Tickets will be available at the Box Office at the Fine and Performing Arts Center and will be available at the door. Marshall students with valid identification cards will be admitted free.

"The Meeting" is based on a book titled "Martin & Malcolm: A Dream or a Nightmare" written by Dr. James H. Cone. Cone, Briggs Distinguished Professor at Union Theological Seminary in New York, will present a free lecture on "Martin, Malcolm and America" on Thursday, March 3, at 7 p.m. in the W. Don Morris Room in Marshall's Memorial Student Center.

To obtain further details about "The Meeting" or other activities associated with the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. Symposium contact the Marshall University Office of Multicultural and International Programs, 696-5430 or 696-4677.

## Norman E. Miller dies

Norman E. Miller, 67, a retired sergeant with the Marshall University campus police, died Sunday, Feb. 13, in Pinnacle Care Center, Huntington.

He was born April 30, 1926, in Huntington, a son of Laura Estep Miller of Athalia, Ohio, and the late Everett Miller.

Miller was a Marine veteran of World War II and received the Purple Heart.

He was preceded in death by an infant daughter. He is survived by his wife, Rosalea Day Miller; three daughters, Nancy Harless and Risa Murphy, both of Huntington, and Connie Freeman of Ona; three sons, Norman R. Miller of Verdunville, and Rodney D. Miller and Gregory A. Miller, both of Huntington; a sister, Evelyn Dunfee of Chesterfield, Va.; a brother, Owen R. Miller of West Jefferson, Ohio; and eight grandchildren.

Services were conducted Tuesday, Feb. 15, at Chapman's Mortuary, Huntington.

# Art exhibit will feature students' work

Marshall University's seventh annual Juried Student Art Exhibition will open with a reception on Sunday, Feb. 27, from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Birke Art Gallery.

Works featured in the show will represent some of the best art work produced in studio art classes at Marshall by both art majors and non-majors during the 1993 calendar year, according to Stanley Sporny of Marshall's Art Department.

"The exhibition will represent the whole gamut of art media from the more traditional processes such as painting, printmaking, photography and drawing to experimental and high technology approaches such as those generated through computers," said Sporny. "Three dimensional design and sculpture will be included as will craft media such as ceramics and weaving."

During the reception, which will be open to the public free of charge, students who created the winning art works in several

categories will be recognized and presented cash awards. Dr. and Mrs. Mahlon Brown also will be recognized for the establishment of the Garth Brown Scholarship for visual arts students. Dr. Brown is a former professor at Marshall.

Sporny said most of the funds for prizes awarded during the annual exhibition come from people in the community who recognize the universal need for visual arts.

He said, "Private citizens, as well as businesses such as the Twentieth Street Bank and Mack and Dave's, have made this increasingly prestigious exhibition one of their yearly contributions. The Ericson Alumni Center and Dr. Paul Balshaw, dean of the MU College of Fine Arts, also are yearly contributors."

Jurors for this year's show are Louise Polan, exhibition curator for the Huntington Museum of Art, and Bobbie Hill, director of the Museum in the Community in Hurricane.

Sporny said both jurors have a wealth of experience and exposure to a vast and complex array of the visual arts which will ensure a good quality and highly competitive show.

"The exhibition will be on display in Birke Art Gallery through Friday, March 11. The gallery, located in Smith Hall, is open free of charge Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday evenings from 7 to 9 and Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Art Department, 696-6760 or 696-2296.

## *Cone to give lecture*

Dr. James H. Cone, the Charles A. Briggs distinguished professor of systematic theology at Union Theological Seminary in New York City and author of "Martin & Malcolm: A Dream or a Nightmare," will make a presentation titled "Martin, Malcolm and America" at Marshall University on Thursday, March 3, at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge.

The presentation, open to the public free of charge, is being sponsored by Marshall University, the City of Huntington and the local chapter of the NAACP in conjunction with Huntington's first Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. Symposium.

The symposium was originally scheduled in January but had to be postponed to March 2, 3 and 5 due to inclement weather.

Cone received a bachelor's degree from Philander Smith College in Little Rock, Ark., and a divinity degree from Garrett Theological Seminary in Evanston, Ill. He received his master's and doctoral degrees from Northwestern University in Evanston.

He has been awarded honorary degrees by Edward Waters College, Jacksonville, Fla.; Philander Smith College; Denison University, Granville, Ohio; Payne Theological Seminary, Wilberforce, Ohio; Hamilton College, Clinton, N.Y., and Colby College, Waterville, Maine.

A prolific writer, Cone has authored 11 books and written more than 100 articles for professional publications and journals.

He has presented lectures at more than 400 colleges and universities throughout the United States and lectured abroad in Europe, Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean.

"We are fortunate to be able to get a speaker of Dr. Cone's caliber for our first Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. Symposium," said Dr. Betty J. Cleckley, vice president for multicultural and international programs at Marshall University. "He is a nationally recognized scholar and author. In fact, one of the symposium's events is a play titled 'The Meeting' based on Dr. Cone's book, 'Martin & Malcolm: A Dream or a Nightmare,' which is available in the Marshall University Bookstore."

"The Meeting" will be presented Wednesday, March 2, at 7 p.m. in the Marshall University Fine and Performing Arts Center.

To obtain further details about the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. Symposium contact Marshall University's Office of Multicultural and International Programs, 696-4677 or 696-5430.

## Trip to Columbus will include show, shopping

The Division of Continuing Education in Marshall University's Community and Technical College is sponsoring a trip to Columbus, Ohio, for a performance of "The Great Radio City Music Hall Spectacular" featuring The Rockettes and Susan Anton on Saturday, March 5.

A limited number of tickets are available for the trip which will include time to shop at the City Center Mall, according to Richard Hensley, director of continuing education at Marshall.

Tickets will be \$65 which includes transportation, main floor seating for the 2 p.m. performance at the Palace Theater, a City Center Mall discount card and escorts.

"With its trademark Radio City style, the world-famous Rockettes, Susan Anton, singers, dancers, lavish sets and costumes, this should be a great show," said Hensley.

To order tickets or obtain further details contact the Division of Continuing Education at Marshall University's Community and Technical College, 696-3113.

## MU Newsletter deadline

Items for the Marshall University Newsletter must be submitted to the University Relations Office by 10 a.m. Tuesday in order to be published the following Thursday. Lengthy items should be submitted as early as possible to ensure publication.