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Office of University Relations
Scholars returning to campus for symposium

Six distinguished scholars representing four continents will assemble at Marshall University Thursday, April 7, to discuss appropriately..."The Globalization of Higher Education."

The gathering, the first annual Drinko Symposium, will be from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse in Marshall's Fine and Performing Arts Center. The symposium will be open to the public.

All six participants are former Drinko Professors at Marshall under an endowed program to bring outstanding scholars and lecturers to the campus and the community. The John Deaver Drinko and Elizabeth G. Drinko Distinguished Chair in Liberal Arts was established in 1987 with a $1 million gift from a Marshall alumnus and his wife. Drinko, an internationally prominent attorney, and Mrs. Drinko will be here for the newly established symposium, MU President J. Wade Gilley said. They also will take part in the university's annual Honors Convocation that morning.

"Through their generosity and their continuing interest, John and Elizabeth Drinko have had an enormous impact on scholarly activities at Marshall University," Gilley said. "We're very pleased they will be here this spring to see first-hand some of the results of their efforts on our behalf."

Returning to participate in the symposium are:
Dr. George McGovern, former U.S. senator from South Dakota
Dr. Robert Sawrey, professor of history at Marshall University, has been named chair of the Marshall University Honors Council, according to Martha Woodward, executive director of the university's Center for Academic Excellence.

He received his bachelor's degree from the University of South Dakota and his master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Cincinnati.

In his new position, Sawrey will be responsible for the university Honors programs which are housed in the John R. Hall Center for Academic Excellence. He will work with Honors students and also work with faculty members to develop Honors courses.

The MU Honors Program was established in the early 1960s to provide maximum educational opportunities for students of high ability. Woodward said Honors students are encouraged to raise their expectations of themselves by pursuing enriched courses both within and beyond the regular curriculum.

Sawrey said he wants to involve more faculty in Honors education. "I enjoy working with bright students," he said. "Offering a challenging program for them is important."

and the Democratic presidential nominee in 1972. McGovern, who served as the first Drinko Professor in the fall of 1987, currently is president of The Middle East Policy Council in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Trevor Wilson, professor emeritus of history at Adelaide University in Australia. The Auckland, New Zealand native taught here as a Drinko Professor in 1989. He also will be the speaker at the annual Honors Convocation, scheduled for 11 a.m. in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse.

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Sawrey to chair council

International Festival will be held April 17

"Globalizing Marshall University" will be the theme for the university's 28th annual International Festival which will be held Sunday, April 17, beginning at 4 p.m. in the W. Don Morris Room in Memorial Student Center, according to Dr. Will Edwards, executive director of Marshall's Center for International Programs.

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

The exhibits and entertainment will be open to the public free of charge. Tickets for the food-sampling 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.

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‘The School of 2025’ will be PDK topic

Dr. W. Donald Thomas, an author and senior partner with Harold Webb Associates, Ltd., in Salt Lake City, Utah, will make a presentation titled "The School of 2025" during the next meeting of Marshall University’s chapter of Phi Delta Kappa on Wednesday, April 13, at 6:30 p.m. in the Shawkey Room in Memorial Student Center.

The meeting, which will begin with dinner at 6:30 p.m., also will include the initial introduction of new members. There will be a fee of $10 for the dinner. Thomas’ presentation, which is expected to start at approximately 7:30 p.m., will be open to the public free of charge.

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Edwards said the International Festival brings the Marshall University community and citizens from the Tri-State area together to share cultures and gives people the opportunity to celebrate and share their international heritage.

"This effort promotes understanding and awareness and reminds everyone of the increasing interdependence of all nations and peoples," he said. "Every individual is unique but also is a member of a larger community. All are invited to attend the festival."

To order tickets or obtain further details about the International Festival contact Lena Ji, 696-2379, or stop by the Marshall University Center for International Programs in Old Main Room 212.

Research Committee meeting held

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A motion was made and seconded to consider Greatest Needs funding for the West Virginia Academy of Sciences journal and up to $100 for other journals in the field. The motion carried.

Research Committee funding requests were considered from William L. Ferguson, Maria Carmen Riddle and Michael Little. A motion was made and seconded to fund these requests. The motion carried with one abstention on the Riddle request.

A motion was made and seconded to spend up to $2,700 for this Quinlan cycle.

Quinlan applications were considered by ranked evaluations. The following list of applicants was submitted for funding: Steven Banks, W. Edwin Bingham, Suzanne Desai, Wendell Dobby, Chong W. Kim, Caroline Perkins and Arthur Stringer. A motion was made and seconded to accept the list for funding. The motion carried.

Summer research awards will be considered at the next full meeting, April 21. Subcommittees to evaluate summer research proposals should be formed as soon as possible. The amount available for summer research grants is $70,000 (35 awards).

The meeting adjourned at 4:42 p.m.

Drinko Symposium set
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Dr. Norman A. Graebner of Charlottesville, Va., one of America’s foremost historians. Graebner, professor emeritus at the University of Virginia, served as Drinko Professor in Marshall’s spring term of 1989.

Dr. Grinor Rojo, Drinko Professor in the 1991 fall term. A native of Santiago, Chile, Rojo conducted classes and programs related to the 500th anniversary of Christopher Columbus’ encounter with the New World in 1492. He currently is teaching at California State University at Long Beach.

Dr. C. Anthony Broh, a 1967 graduate of Marshall, political scientist and authority on voting behavior. Broh was the second Drinko Professor, serving in the fall of 1988. Currently the registrar at Princeton University, Broh has taught at Rutgers, Columbia and Duke universities, among others.

Dr. Maurice Harmon, emeritus professor of Anglo-Irish literature and drama at University College Dublin (Ireland). Harmon, Drinko Professor in the fall of 1992, is spending the current academic year as the Burns Library Scholar in Irish Studies at Boston College. He is a former member of the University of Notre Dame faculty and has lectured throughout the U.S. and Europe.

Gilley will serve as moderator of the symposium.

"This is shaping up as one of the greatest academic events in Marshall’s history," Gilley said. "We’re bringing in a ‘star-studded lineup’ of scholars who will discuss an extremely important and timely topic--‘The Globalization of Higher Education’--an academic institution which is entering a pivotal phase of its existence. I believe all of us will profit from this experience."

Grant deadlines near

Applications for the final round of Quinlan Faculty Travel Funding are due in the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs by April 11, according to Dr. Lee Erickson, chair of the Marshall University Research Committee.

Application forms are available in the Faculty Senate Office or the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Completed applications for Faculty Summer Research awards are due in the Graduate School Office April 11. Application forms are available in the Graduate School Office or the Faculty Senate Office. At least 35 awards will be presented.
Wolf Kahn will lecture and exhibit works

Renowned artist Wolf Kahn will make presentations at Marshall University and the Huntington Museum of Art during April, according to Dr. Marilyn Laufer, co-director of Marshall's Birke Art Gallery.

Kahn, whose works currently are on exhibit in the Birke Art Gallery in Smith Hall, will present a three-day landscape painting workshop April 9-11 at the Huntington Museum of Art.

On Tuesday, April 12, at Marshall University, the artist will give a pastel demonstration in the morning and present a lecture on current trends in painting at 3 p.m. in Birke Art Gallery. The lecture and a reception for the artist following the lecture will be open to the public free of charge.

Diabetes to be subject

Dr. Teresa Thompson, manager of scientific affairs for Hoff-Roussel Pharmaceuticals (HRPI), will make a presentation on "Diabetes" at Marshall University on Thursday, March 24, at 7 p.m. in the Shawkey Room in Memorial Student Center.

Thompson formerly worked for the Food and Drug Administration. She has published numerous articles in a variety of scientific journals and has made presentations throughout the country.

Her current responsibilities include developing and implementing medical and pharmacy education programs, developing and implementing supplemental technical updates for the HRPI field sales forces and serving as a contact person for HRPI with the medical, pharmaceutical and scientific community.

She received a doctorate in pharmacology (cardiovascular and autonomic) from Howard University in Washington, D.C.

Her presentation, open to the public free of charge, will be followed by a discussion on diabetes.

The program is being sponsored by Marshall University's Office of African American Students' Programs. To obtain further details contact that office at 696-6705.

Hatfield receives award

Dr. David Hatfield, assistant professor of English at Marshall University, and Dr. Thomas Sloane, assistant dean of student life and adjunct assistant professor of education at West Virginia University, recently were presented MacBeth awards at the second annual MacBeth National Conference: Computing in the Liberal Arts and Sciences.

The national conference, sponsored by Apple Computer and Bethany College, explores incorporating computer applications in the humanities, social sciences and sciences.

MacBeth awards are given to recognize excellence in the use of the Macintosh computer in the college liberal arts classroom. The award-winning presentation described a joint project Hatfield and Sloane developed through a West Virginia Board of Trustees Technology Grant.

Hatfield said the project created a long-distance, collaborative teaching environment that links students at Marshall and WVU in a common classroom, uses multimedia in the design and implementation of course materials and includes electronic submission and grading of students' writing.

Kahn, who came to the United States from Germany 54 years ago, is a landscape painter in the modernist tradition. He was a student of Stuart Davis and Hans Hofmann. Laufer said Kahn's work is a blend of realism and abstraction that provides the viewer with sensuous color and a romantic vision of wide open American spaces.

"His paintings suggest a feeling of sweet melancholy, a kind of dark poetic lyricism," said Laufer. "They are truly beautiful expressions of an exceptional artist who recently has been described as one of our great painters in the modernist tradition."

Kahn's work will be on exhibit in Birke Art Gallery through April 15. The gallery is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m. and Monday evening from 7 to 9.

To obtain further details about Kahn's exhibit and presentations contact the Marshall University Art Department, 696-6760.

Dissertations to be defended

Randall Jones, a candidate for the Marshall University-West Virginia University doctoral degree in educational administration, will defend his dissertation on Friday, April 8, at 10 a.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2EI1.

Dr. Richard Meckley of WVU, program coordinator, said observers are welcome to attend but seating will be limited.

Barbara Maynard, a candidate for the Marshall University-West Virginia University doctoral degree in educational administration, will defend her dissertation at noon Thursday, April 7, in Memorial Student Center Room 2W10.

Dr. Neil L. Gibbins of Marshall, program coordinator, said observers are welcome to attend but seating will be limited.

Library hours announced

Marshall University's James E. Morrow Library will be closed Saturday and Sunday, March 26-27, and Saturday and Sunday, April 2-3, for the university's spring break, according to Josephine Fidler, director of libraries.

The library will be open Monday through Friday, March 28-April 1, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Regular library hours will resume Monday, April 4.

PDK fellowships available

Members of Phi Delta Kappa are eligible to apply for Howard M. Soule Graduate Fellowships in Educational Leadership, according to Dr. Leonard J. Deutsch, dean of the Marshall University Graduate School.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Graduate School Office in Old Main Room 113.
Marshall faculty and staff achievements

Dr. CAROLYN KARR, professor of history, and Dr. MACK GILLENWATER, professor of geography, participated in a Russia/East Europe Scholar Diplomat Program being held March 23-25 in Washington, D.C. The program was sponsored by the West Virginia Consortium for Faculty and Course Development in International Studies. Funding was provided by a grant from the United States Department of Education. A full complement of speakers representing the CIA, the U.S. Department of State, the Soviet Federation Embassy, the U.S. Department of Defense and the Senate Subcommittee on Foreign Affairs gave presentations at the Brookings Institute and the Pentagon to eight faculty members from West Virginia institutions of higher education.

Dr. HISHAM AL-HADDAD, assistant professor of computer science, attended the ninth annual symposium of the ACM Special Interest Group on Applied Computing (SIGAPP). He attended a pre-conference tutorial on "Software Reuse Perspectives and Research Opportunities" and participated as a session chair of the track on Software Reusability. The trip was funded by the West Virginia Space Grant Consortium. AL-HADDAD was selected as the treasurer of SIGAPP. The conference was held March 6-8 in Phoenix, Ariz.

Dr. KEITH E. BARENKLAU, associate professor and director of the Safety Technology Program, will deliver the keynote address at a national safety conference sponsored by the U.S. Department of Agriculture on May 16 in Tampa, Fla. His topic will be "Safety Programming for the Collateral Duty Safety Officer." Supervisors, managers and safety personnel from the U.S. Department of Agriculture will attend the conference.

Dr. CLAIR W. MATZ, professor of political science, and CHARLES F. GRUBER, associate professor of history, attended the XVIII International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association held March 10-12 in Atlanta.

Dr. DONALD J. CANNON, professor of pathology, was a recent recipient of the Clinical Chemists Recognition Award presented by the American Association for Clinical Chemistry.

Dr. WILLIAM P. MARLEY, professor and director of the Human Performance Laboratory in the Division of Health, Physical Education and Recreation and executive director of the MU Sports Science and Wellness Institute, was recently selected as president of the American Heart Association, Cabell/Wayne Division. His appointment to the Governmental Affairs Network as West Virginia State Representative also was recently announced by the American College of Sports Medicine.

Professor gives thanks

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

Thank you for the participation and cooperation in the fourth annual Hispanic Cultural Awareness Week (HCAW) which was a project of Marshall’s Beta Kappa chapter of Sigma Delta Pi (SDP) national Hispanic honorary and Amigos de SDP. I would especially like to thank professors who encouraged their students to attend.

I would like to congratulate professor Elsa I. Mangiarua-Tassone who was selected Hispanic of the Year by the Hispanophile Society of Huntington and received a trophy from SDP during the Baile Latino.

This project was accomplished with the cooperation of many members and Amigos of SDP including the following: Sean Dewey, Dr. Reta K. Roberts, Elaine Brumfield, Mauro Alcalde, Patricia Taylor, Michell Randolph, Steven Hayer, Beth Rogers, Laura Wallace, Heather Finton, Misty Mackey, Jasmine Tismo, Michelle Regalla, Jennifer Wells, Angela Casey, Brad Poff, Denise Rose, Brian Whitt, Rebecca Byolles, Maria Dominguez, Allison Lantz, Giselle Salazar, Kelley Beck, Sergio Robles, Marcos Cid, Dr. Clair Matz, Dr. Maria Carmen Riddel, Dr. Harold Murphy, Dr. Douglas Robertson, Dr. Marilyn Lauffer, Macel Braxton, Richard Marti, Marsha Smith, Kay Dickens and Melissa Fulserton.

Program sponsors included: the Division of Multicultural and International Programs, the Faculty Women Association, the Society of Yeager Scholars, the Graduate Student Council, Student Activities, the departments of Modern Languages, Art and Political Science, the dean of the College of Liberal Arts, the dean for student affairs, the vice president for academic affairs, the President's Office, Sociedad Hispanofila de Huntington, the MU Library, the West Virginia Library Commission Film Services, the West Virginia Humanities Council, Marriott Food Services, the MU police service.

I would also like to thank Marshall faculty, staff and students, theater services, room facilities scheduling, WMUL-FM, The Parthenon and the local media.

We hope to have planted a seed of harmony, understanding and tolerance among the various communities and cultures found at Marshall University and our region.

Sincerely,
Tulia Gomez-Avila
Sigma Delta Pi adviser,
HCAW project director

Art-Op exhibit planned

A special art exhibit featuring the works of students in kindergarten through eighth-grade enrolled in Marshall University’s Art Opportunity program will be held Saturday, April 16, from 1 to 2:15 p.m. in Marshall’s Birke Art Gallery in Smith Hall.

"Art: The Universal Language" was the theme for this year’s Art Opportunity program which began March 2.

The Art Opportunity program introduces students to a broad range of materials and techniques while also exploring various styles and cultures, according to Linda Anderson, director of the program. She said many challenging and exciting art lessons were held this year.

"Through art and visual symbols, all peoples regardless of age, culture or time period, are able to communicate. Art is the universal language," said Anderson. "This program, sponsored by the Marshall University Art Department, was designed to provide opportunities for children to explore the universal language of art."

The exhibit will be open to the public free of charge. To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Art Department, 696-6760.