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More than 40 join Marshall faculty

An information fair was offered to 42 new faculty members during the New Faculty Orientation, which took place shortly before fall classes began. Joining the Marshall faculty are:

Samir Abdel-Aziz, English; Melissa Atkins, Psychology; Ronald Bieniek, Honors College; Tanya Bomsta, English; Kae Bradley, INTO; Hilary Brewster, English; Haiyang Chen, College of Business; Carrie Childers, Communication Disorders; John Chirico, English; Elaine Cruse, Pharmacy Practice, Administration & Research; Puspa Damai, English; Theodore Fox, Nursing; Richard Gage, Integrated Science & Technology; Brian Gallagher, School of Medicine; Brandy Griffin, INTO; Jinsong Hao, Pharmaceutical Sciences & Research; Iyad Hijazi, Engineering & Computer Science; Angel Kimble, Pharmacy Practice, Admin. & Research; Beth Koch, Art & Design; Richard Kravchak, Music; Daniel Lassell, English; Elaine (Wai-Kwan) Lau, Management/Marketing/MIS; Alice Lin Integrated Science & Technology; Timothy Long Pharmaceutical Sciences & Research; Sarah Martin, INTO; Saurabh Mehta, Physical Therapy; Peggy Proudfoot Harman; Social Work; Leesa Prunty, Pharmacy Practice, Administration & Research; Rosalyynn Quinones, Chemistry; John Rakus, Chemistry; Paula Reilley, Nursing; Asad Salem, Engineering & Computer Science; Amber Sayre, English; Mitchell Scharman, Geology; Joanna Schrecengost, INTO; Inder Sehgal, Pharmaceutical Sciences & Research; Marc Sollosy, Management/Marketing/MIS; Anita Swartzwelder, Nursing; Mark Timmons, Kinesiology; Eugenia Webb-Damron, Leadership Studies; Michael Woods, History; Lina Xiong, Management/Marketing/MIS;

*Photo:* New faculty members learn more about Marshall in an information fair prior to the start of classes.
Series on accreditation process to begin Friday

The Office of Academic Affairs will present a series of four Friday Forums this month beginning with “First-Year Seminar: ‘Core’ of the Core” from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6, in room BE5 of the Memorial Student Center.

“These sessions are intended to introduce the university community to various elements and criteria the university will need to address in the assurance argument for reaffirmation of accreditation by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association, the site visit for which will be October 12-13, 2015,” said Dr. Gayle Ormiston, provost and senior vice president for academic affairs. “We will begin with a consideration of the first part of our core curriculum, the First-Year Seminar, which emphasizes critical thinking learning outcomes.”

Ormiston added that the remaining three Friday Forums will take up the academic profile of students admitted to the university and those who graduate; the new university degree profile, which states the university’s general learning outcomes; and the accreditation process itself.

Here is a complete list of the sessions:

- **First-Year Seminar: “‘Core’ of the Core”**  
  Friday, Sept. 6, 2013, 3:30-5 p.m., BE 5 (MSC)
- **Marshall’s Degree Profile and Student Profile**  
  Friday, Sept. 13, 2013, 3:30-5 p.m., 402 DL.
- **Marshall’s HLC Quality Initiative and Assessment Project**  
  Friday, Sept. 20, 2013, 3:30-5 p.m., 402 DL.
- **HLC Open Pathways Accreditation Expectations, Standards, and Criteria**  
  Friday, Sept. 27, 3:30-5 p.m., 402 DL.

For further information, contact the Office of Academic Affairs by e-mail at academic-affairs@marshall.edu or by phone at 304-696-6840.

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Final draft of master plan to be reviewed at open house Monday, Sept. 9

A final draft version of Marshall University’s master plan for all campuses will be reviewed by the community at an open house Monday, Sept. 9.

The event will take place from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in room BE5 of the Memorial Student Center on the Huntington campus. All members of the university and Huntington communities are invited to attend, said Dr. Karen Kirtley, Marshall’s senior vice president of administration.

“This will be a final opportunity to see the plan before it is presented to our Board of Governors,” Kirtley said.

The Campus Master Plan will be presented to the Marshall University Board of Governors Oct. 30 and subsequently the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission. Further information on the planning process can be found on the Marshall University website at www.marshall.edu/mplan.

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Music faculty members Dobbs, Vauth to present recital Monday

Pianist Dr. Henning Vauth and flutist Dr. Wendell Dobbs, both music faculty members at Marshall, will present a full program of music from Germany and Austria at 8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 9. The program, featuring works by Kreutzer, Reinecke and Schubert, will take place in Smith Recital Hall on Marshall’s Huntington campus.

Vauth came to the music faculty at Marshall University two years ago. Since that time, Dobbs said, he has made an indelible stamp on cultural life in Huntington, having performed dozens of programs including a solo appearance with the Huntington Symphony Orchestra.

“We are indeed lucky to have attracted a pianist of such formidable technique and wonderful musical insight,” Dobbs said. “I’m delighted to have this opportunity to perform such extraordinary repertoire with him.”

Dobbs is beginning his 29th year at Marshall and performs regularly as principal flute of the Huntington Symphony Orchestra and the Ohio Valley Symphony.
Vauth and Dobbs will begin the program with a virtuoso sonata by Conradin Kreutzer, a German 19th century composer and pianist. Kreutzer’s Sonata is a showpiece, full of virtuoso cadenzas and delightful melodies. The duo will continue with Karl Reinecke’s “Undine” Sonata, a programmatic work that musically describes Friedrich de la Motte Fouqué’s 1811 story of a mermaid who becomes human in order to marry with a man and obtain an immortal soul.

The second half of the program is devoted to Franz Schubert’s Arpeggione Sonata. This tuneful and well-composed sonata is a favorite among cellists, since the arpeggione was a bowed, but fretted instrument about the size of the cello that enjoyed a brief vogue in the late 18th and early 19th centuries. Dobbs tailors this version for flute after a 1970s interpretation by Jean-Pierre Rampal.

The program is free and open to the public. Call the School of Music and Theatre at 304-696-3117 for more information.

Marshall School of Medicine associate dean to serve with national medical organization

Dr. Darshana Shah, associate dean of faculty affairs and professional development with the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, has been selected as chair of the professional development and program subcommittee of the American Association of Medical Colleges’ Group on Faculty Affairs (GFA) committee.

The appointment follows her election as an at-large representative to the GFA’s Steering Committee earlier this year. The mission of the GFA is to build and sustain faculty vitality in medical schools and teaching hospitals.

“Dr. Shah’s commitment to guiding faculty members in their professional development and career pathways is absolutely terrific and I cannot think of a person more fitting to serve in this position,” said Dr. Joseph I. Shapiro, dean of the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine. “She is one of those individuals who always sees the glass half-full and is determined to find solutions in the complex world of medical education. We certainly are proud of her achievements, both here and on the national level.”

Shah will serve a three-year term on the committee and says she is eager to begin her new role.
“Developing programs to assist and nurture faculty is an essential component of any medical school,” Shah said. “I am thrilled to participate as a JCESOM faculty member in designing added-value programs at the national level.”

Shah is the first from Marshall to be elected to an AAMC steering committee.

In addition to her role as associate dean, Shah is a professor of pathology and is an active leader within numerous other professional and educational groups. Currently, she serves as president of the Group for Research in Pathology Education, a national organization whose purpose is to promote and facilitate excellence in pathology education.

Shah has received several teaching awards and is the faculty advisor to the JCESOM’s chapter of the Gold Humanism Honor Society, an international group dedicated to compassionate medical care.

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Marshall gallery director’s work on display in Ironton

Works of art by John Farley, director of galleries at Marshall University, are on exhibit at Ohio University Southern in Ironton, Ohio.

Farley, who directs both the Birke Art Gallery on Marshall’s Huntington campus and Gallery 842 in downtown Huntington, will be showcasing work he has done over the years, as well as some of his more recent creations.

“Although largely composed of previous drawings, stylistically and thematically unified, I have chosen to also include two new examples of portraiture,” Farley said. “This show represents a shift from the introspective drawings of the last few years to a developing body of portrait drawings that is more accessible to a viewer, rewarding for me as an artist, and meaningful to those I care for, which is really what it’s all about.”

Farley is also a Marshall graduate, having received his Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in 2007 with an emphasis in painting.

“Given our close proximity to OU Southern, I hope that this is only one of many upcoming efforts at ‘cross-pollination,’ ” Farley said. “Networking is always crucial. I’m not the first artist with MU ties to display work there, and I hope to feature more artists from southern Ohio at Marshall.”

Farley said there is no general theme for the exhibition but the show is dedicated to his grandmother.
The exhibition will run until Thursday, Sept. 26, and will take place at the art gallery, room D11, in the Dingus Technology Center, 1804 Liberty Ave. in Ironton.

*Photo:* “Restrain Release,” a 2013 work by John Farley, is among the artist’s work to be exhibited at Ohio University Southern in Ironton, Ohio.

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**Marshall Recreation Center announces ‘Kids’ Night Out’ for Friday**

The Marshall Recreation Center is hosting a special night out for kids from 5 to 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6. This program is available to parents who would like some time to themselves to shop, see a movie, or get some things done around the house.

The children will be entertained in a fun, safe environment where they will experience climbing on the Rec Center’s rock wall, swimming in the indoor pool, playing ball on the courts and having a pizza party with all their new friends.

Children ages 4-12 are welcome and the deadline to register is Thursday, Sept. 5. Parents are asked to register their children in advance, as space is limited. The cost for members is $15 ($10 for each additional sibling), and the cost for non-members is $20 ($15 for each additional sibling). Cash, credit cards or checks made out to the Campus Rec Club will be accepted.

Kids’ Night Out also will be occurring on the following dates throughout the rest of 2013: Oct. 11, Nov. 1 and Dec. 6. Sign-up deadline for each event is the day before.

Forms and waivers for this event can be found on www.marshallcampusrec.com. Parents are asked to return the forms to the Marshall Recreation Center Welcome Desk or mail them to: Marshall Recreation Center, Attn.: Dan Belcher.

For more information, call Belcher, facility operations coordinator, at ext.6-4651.

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‘Smokey Joe’s Cafe’ Comes to Huntington Sunday

The School of Music and Theatre and the College of Arts and Media will present the Greenbrier Valley Theatre’s production of “Smokey Joe’s Cafe” at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8 in the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center on the Huntington campus.

The show will feature music written by Lieber and Stoller, who were responsible for “Jailhouse Rock,” “Yakety Yak,” and “On Broadway,” among others.

Tickets are $20 for adults, $15 for seniors and children, and $5 for students. Call the box office at 304-696-ARTS.

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School of Pharmacy begins academic year with new faculty and staff

The School of Pharmacy has added seven new faculty members and four staff employees as it implements second-year curriculum and the expansion of research and outreach programs.

In making the announcement, Dean Kevin Yingling said, “As our school continues to grow and we reach our full student capacity in 2016, our personnel infrastructure must expand as well. I am excited to welcome this new cadre of educators and business professionals to our pharmacy family.”

The new faculty are listed by department:

**Department of Pharmaceutical Science and Research**

**Jinsong Hao, Ph.D.,** assistant professor, is a specialist in the area of drug formulation and delivery, with experience in drug delivery to the inner ear and eye. She was formerly with the University of Cincinnati.

**Tim Long, Ph.D.,** assistant professor, is a medicinal chemist with a research focus in infectious disease. Long most recently served at the University of Georgia.

**Inder Sehgal, Ph.D.,** professor, is a pharmacologist whose research focus has been in the areas of cancer and the toxicology of herbal products. Over the past 15 years, Sehgal has conducted research and taught in the pharmacy program at North Dakota State University and the School of Veterinary Medicine at Louisiana State University.

**Department of Pharmacy Practice, Administration, and Research**

**Elaine Cruse, Pharm.D.,** clinical assistant professor, has a shared position with Valley Health, where she practices medication therapy management in the area of diabetes. Cruse is a certified diabetes educator.

**Brian Gallagher, R. Ph., J. D.,** Director of Pharmacy Services for Marshall Health and assistant professor, has served as a legal expert for the American Pharmacists’ Association and is coordinating special projects for Marshall Health.

**Angel Kimble, Pharm. D., BCPS,** clinical assistant professor, has a shared position with Fruth Pharmacy, where she practices medication therapy management. She has practiced with King’s Daughters and Holzer medical centers and taught at the University of Charleston.

**Leesa Prunty, Pharm.D.,** clinical assistant professor, has a shared position with Cabell Huntington Hospital, where she practices in the area of pediatrics. Prunty completed a residency at St. Mary’s Medical Center.
Department of Experiential Learning

Craig Kimble, M.H.A., M.B.A., Pharm.D., Director of Experiential Learning and assistant professor, most recently served as the Director of Pharmacy and Clinical Services for Fruth Corporation. He begins his duties with Marshall University School of Pharmacy in September.

Also joining the School of Pharmacy are the following staff members: Shane Lawrence, IT support specialist, Sr.; Kalina Grimm, B.A., administrative secretary, Sr.; Gail Rice, administrative associate; Jennifer Kennedy, M.A., director of student affairs and assessment, and Mellissa Clay, A.A., administrative secretary, Sr.

The School of Pharmacy was granted candidate status by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education in 2013. Candidate status is awarded to a Doctor of Pharmacy program that is currently recognized by ACPE with pre-candidate status and has students enrolled, but has not yet had a graduating class.

The next issue of We Are…Marshall will be distributed Sept. 11, 2013. Please send any materials for consideration to Pat Dickson by 5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 9.