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# NEWSLETTER

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## Perry will serve as first Drinko Fellow

Dr. Simon D. Perry, professor of political science at Marshall University, has been selected as the first Drinko Fellow for the university's John Deaver Drinko Center for American Political Institutions and Civic Culture, according to Dr. Alan B. Gould, executive director of the center.

The Drinko Center, established last April, is committed to fostering undergraduate education in American institutions, values and culture. Its mission is to address problems arising from the fragmentation of American society and the loss of a shared sense of common national purpose.

Perry, who recently resigned as chair of the MU Political Science Department after serving in that position 18 years, will undertake innovative curricular reforms of two sorts as a Drinko Fellow. He will help develop new general education courses for all students that address American political institutions and civic culture from a broad, multidisciplinary perspective and explore ways to develop a new undergraduate major and enhance existing disciplinary majors relevant to politics and the civic culture.

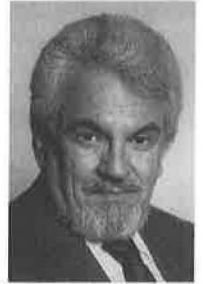
A native of Gilbert, Mingo County, Perry was named chair of Marshall's Political Science Department in 1975 and previously had served as acting chair of the department in the 1968-69 and 1974-75 academic years.

A member of the Marshall faculty since 1962, Perry received his bachelor's degree in political science and history from Berea (Ky.) College, his master's degree from the University of Tennessee and his doctorate from Michigan State University.

Prior to joining the Marshall faculty, he taught at the University of Tennessee, Michigan State University and the University of Michigan.

He has served on many committees and organizations at Marshall and was honored by his colleagues and students during a special banquet in 1988. He received the university's Distinguished Service Award in 1990.

Perry has written numerous articles for professional journals  
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Perry

## *PTA associate degree receives board approval*

The University of West Virginia System Board of Trustees has approved a new two-year Physical Therapist Assistant associate degree program developed by Marshall University's Community and Technical College.

Dr. F. David Wilkin, dean of the Community and Technical College, said the program has been designed to serve the needs of the entire state of West Virginia.

"We are calling this a 'one-plus-one' program," explained Wilkin. "Students will be able to take the first year of the curriculum at colleges in their local areas since all of the first year courses will be general education classes. Students then will take the second year of specialized physical therapist assistant courses at Marshall."

After completing the sophomore year, the student will participate in an internship program with a health care provider in his or her hometown area. The student will then be eligible to take the licensing examination to be certified as a physical therapist assistant.

"The idea is that students will graduate from high school, attend their local college for their freshman year, come to Marshall for their sophomore year and then return home to provide health care. Ideally, we want the students to provide health services in the regions they come from, particularly the rural areas of West Virginia. The purpose is to provide service to the entire state," Wilkin said.

Enrollment in the PTA program will be limited. Tentative plans call for several students to be accepted from each area of the state.

Physical therapist assistants are licensed to practice under the  
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## Committee appointed to help select architect

Marshall University President J. Wade Gilley has announced the appointment of a six-member committee to assist with selection of an architect for the university's new library and to help oversee its design and construction.

Huntington businessman Philip E. Cline, immediate past president of the MU Institutional Board of Advisors, will chair the committee. Other members are James E. Casto, president of the Friends of the Cabell County Library and also president of the Marshall Library Associates; MU Director of Libraries Josephine Fidler; Faculty Senate President Bertram W. Gross; Vice President for Finance Herbert J. Karlet, and Dr. William S. Deel, director of campus technology for the past 10 years and now assistant vice president for operations.

The new library, to be built on the site presently occupied by deteriorating Northcott Hall, adjacent to Old Main, is expected to be compatible in style to Old Main, Gilley said. It is expected to be among the most technologically sophisticated libraries in the country.

In his charge to the committee, Gilley said, "I believe this is probably the most important building project Marshall University has ever undertaken--or will undertake. It is imperative that we build a first-rate facility."

The university is now advertising for expressions of interest from architectural firms and the committee will begin the screening process soon, Gilley said.

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and publications and his doctoral dissertation, "Conflict of Expectations and Roles in 'Policy Science' Behavior," received the Leonard D. White Memorial Award presented by the American Political Science Association for the best dissertation in public administration and related policy areas in 1962.

He also has been active in community and professional organizations and has been a member of the Huntington Human Rela-

tions Commission and the American, Southern, Midwest and West Virginia political science associations.

Recently Perry has been working on a research project dealing with variables that allegedly reduce inequality in the distribution of material goods (wealth, income, welfare) within and across nations. He also has been studying the literature dealing with theories of justice. He said he hopes eventually his research will appear as part of a book dealing with power in America or as journal articles.

"I am very pleased Dr. Perry has agreed to become our first Drinko Fellow," said Gould. "Dr. Perry already has experience researching and working with several of the issues which the center will address. He is widely respected in his field and will be a tremendous asset to the Drinko Center."

As the development of the Drinko Center progresses, Gould said a core of at least five or six distinguished professors from various fields will be added to the center's faculty to foster teaching and intellectual dialogue across disciplines and keep the center from being narrowly focused around the interests of any one discipline.

The center was named in honor of John Deaver Drinko, a Marshall alumnus and nationally prominent attorney. Drinko and his wife, Elizabeth, have been consistent supporters of academic programs at Marshall and in 1987 established a distinguished chair in liberal arts.

## TA workshop scheduled

Marshall University President J. Wade Gilley will welcome graduate assistants to the first TA (Teaching Assistant) Training Workshop which will be held Aug. 22-23 in Memorial Student Center, according to Dr. Leonard J. Deutsch, dean of the MU Graduate School.

Deutsch said approximately 60 to 70 participants are expected to attend the workshop.

Master teachers and veteran teaching assistants will address such issues as presentational skills, the use and abuse of power in the classroom, the art of testing, students working on group projects, effective teaching strategies and cultural perspectives of international teaching assistants.

Other topics will include: demographics of Marshall students, student support services available at Marshall, student learning styles and assessment, diversity in the classroom, sexual harassment policies, classroom climate, policies governing student records, writing across the curriculum and critical thinking.

Participants will receive a free copy of "Teaching Assistant Strategies" and complimentary lunches.

Anyone interested in attending the workshop should contact Deutsch at the Graduate School Office, 696-6606, by Friday, Aug. 19.

## PTA program approved

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direction of a physical therapist. Physical therapists are required to graduate from a baccalaureate degree program.

Wilkin said the new PTA program has a specialized curriculum and has not been designed to serve as the first two years of a four-year physical therapy degree program.

He said there are job opportunities in the field throughout the state.

In planning the PTA program, Community and Technical College officials conducted a comprehensive survey of physical therapists working throughout West Virginia and discussed the program with representatives of the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education.

Wilkin said the program, which took more than 18 months to develop, has the support of the West Virginia chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association.

To obtain further details about the Physical Therapist Assistant Program contact the Marshall University Community and Technical College, 696-3646.

## *Byrd adds funds to bill*

Senator Robert C. Byrd has added to a defense appropriation bill \$4 million for Marshall University's Robert C. Byrd Institute for Flexible Manufacturing Systems.

Byrd said the money will allow continued operations at the institute.

"The Byrd Institute provides small- and medium-sized manufacturers with access to world-class manufacturing technologies, up-to-date management techniques and training that can help them become more cost-efficient industrial competitors," Byrd said.

### Letter of appreciation

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

Thank you very much for the beautiful basket of white carnations and mums you sent for our mother's funeral.

She was so proud of being associated with you all at Marshall. We appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,  
The family of Ruby Foose

# McClure named adviser for The Parthenon

Marilyn McClure has been named assistant professor of journalism and adviser for Marshall University's student newspaper, The Parthenon, according to Dr. Alan B. Gould, vice president for academic affairs at Marshall.

McClure, who served as interim adviser for The Parthenon since March 14, received her bachelor's degree in journalism from Kent State University and her master's degree in public communications from Syracuse University.

She previously taught journalism at the Community College of Allegheny County (Pa.), served as public information officer for the University of Texas at El Paso, worked as a free-lance writer, served as director of news and publications at the University of Alabama in Huntsville and was a news reporter at WYUR-TV in Huntsville where she also produced and hosted

## *Engineering scholarship established by institute*

A Marshall University manufacturing education scholarship fund has been established by the Robert C. Byrd Institute through a \$2,500 donation by J.H. Fletcher and Co., a mining equipment manufacturer in Huntington.

The Byrd Institute matched the contribution so the initial fund has \$5,000 available for students entering the Engineering Technology Program offered through Marshall's Community and Technical College or the pre-engineering program in Marshall's College of Science.

Students entering the Engineering Technology and pre-engineering programs are eligible to receive scholarships for the upcoming fall semester.

Anyone interested in applying for a scholarship should contact Basil Issa at Marshall University's Robert C. Byrd Institute for Advanced Flexible Manufacturing, 696-6222.

## **SOM exercises planned**

The 1994 Opening Exercises of the Marshall University School of Medicine will be Wednesday, Aug. 17, at the Huntington Museum of Art.

An awards program beginning at 7:30 p.m. will honor outstanding students and faculty, and also will include remarks from Associate Dean Patrick I. Brown and Dean Charles H. McKown Jr. A reception will follow at 8:30 p.m., with incoming medical students and their families as special guests. Dr. Charles Lloyd of the Department of Classical Studies will provide music.

All members of the university community are invited to attend.

## **Library schedule set**

Marshall University's James E. Morrow Library will be closed Aug. 20-21 and Aug. 27-28, according to Josephine Fidler, director of libraries.

The library will be open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, Aug. 22-26.

The library will observe regular semester hours beginning Monday, Aug. 29.

a daily talk show.

McClure has worked as a stringer for several newspapers including the New York Times, the Atlanta Journal and Atlanta Constitution and the Florida Times Union. She also served as the news editor for the Wayne County Press, a weekly newspaper in Jesup, Ga.

As a graduate student, she worked as a writer/editor for the Syracuse University news bureau. As an undergraduate student, she worked for the student newspaper at Kent State University. While attending Kent State, McClure served as a reporter and photographer for the Akron Beacon Journal and was on the staff of that paper when it was awarded a Pulitzer Prize for its coverage during the student shootings at Kent State in 1970.

She has received several awards for her writing and public relations work.

"Ms. McClure has experience in several phases of journalism and has been involved in the production of student newspapers, weekly newspapers and daily newspapers," said Gould. "She also has experience as an instructor and student adviser and is familiar with the operation of a newspaper on a university campus. She has done an excellent job as interim adviser of The Parthenon and I believe she will be a welcome addition to our School of Journalism and Mass Communications."



**McClure**

## **Former librarian dies**

Margaret Seidel Bobbitt, 85, of Concord, N.C., a former librarian at Marshall University, died Friday, July 22, in Cabarrus Memorial Hospital.

She was chief reference librarian at Marshall from 1931 to 1974. She was a member of the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church and former president of the West Virginia Library Association. She also was a past president of the Huntington AAUW chapter and an officer in the Marshall University AAUP chapter.

Mrs. Bobbitt was a graduate of Wittenberg University and received a master's degree in library science from Drexel University.

She was preceded in death by her husband, James Chilton Bobbitt. Surviving is one son, J. Daniel Bobbitt of Huntersville, N.C.

## *Physicians change name*

Marshall University School of Medicine physicians have changed the name of their practice group to University Physicians and Surgeons.

The new name, which replaces the name John Marshall Medical Services, provides a common thread that will make it easier to recognize the numerous area offices in which faculty members treat patients, said James Schneider, the school's associate dean for finance and administration.

With University Physicians and Surgeons as the umbrella organization, offices run by individual departments will use variations such as University Pediatrics and University Family Physicians.

# Marshall faculty and staff achievements

EDWARD HARBERT, education specialist for the Marshall University Autism Training Center, recently made a presentation titled "The Total Communication Approach to Facilitated Communication: A Method of Facilitation for Young Children" at the Conference on Facilitated Communication held at Syracuse University.

MICHAEL FABRIZIO, education specialist for the Autism Training Center, and Dr. JENNIFER McFARLAND WHISMAN, associate director of training at the center, presented a poster on feeding behavior at the Association for Behavior Analysis conference held recently in Atlanta, Ga. WHISMAN, FABRIZIO and Dr. Roberta Babbitt of the Kennedy-Krieger Institute made a presentation titled "Addressing Issues in the Feeding Behavior of Individuals with Autism: Strategies for Change" at the Autism Society of America conference held in July at Las Vegas, Nev. WHISMAN and DEBORAH MEREDITH, senior education specialist at the Autism Center, presented a poster titled "The Use of Modeling and Changing Criterion Contingencies to Teach Pill Swallowing to Young Children with Autism" during the conference. WHISMAN and FABRIZIO also presented a poster titled "Improving the Feeding Behavior of a Child with Autism Through Restraint Fading and Reinforcement Schedule Manipulation."

Dr. TONY SZWILSKI, recently appointed professor of environmental engineering and sciences at Marshall's Center for Environmental, Geotechnical and Applied Sciences, was in China during May and June serving for the third year as chief technical adviser for a mine health and safety project for the international labor organization funded by the United Nations. In July, he participated in a course on environmental regulations in Washington, D.C., and a two-day course on groundwater monitoring and sampling in Nashville, Tenn.

Dr. PROTIP K. GHOSH, professor of geology, was invited to Washington, D.C., by the National Science Foundation as a reviewer for proposals submitted to the Undergraduate Course and Curriculum Development Program. He also chaired a panel which considered interdisciplinary science projects. The sessions were held July 18-21. GHOSH had been to Washington in January to review proposals for the NSF's Instrumentation and Laboratory Improvement Program.

Dr. WILLIAM B. RHOTEN, professor and chair of the Department of Anatomy, Cell and Neurobiology at the School of Medicine, recently returned from a trip to Lisbon, Portugal, where he attended the 14th Federative International Congress of Anatomy where he presented the results of research with collaborators in the Department of Anatomy, Cell and Neurobiology. Dr. Igor N. Sergeev and RHOTEN had a platform presentation titled "Fluorescence Ratio Imaging of Intracellular Calcium in Insulinoma Cells." Dr. George K. Mutema and RHOTEN had a poster presentation titled "Calbindin-D<sub>28k</sub> Localization in Kidney and Cerebellum of the Slider Turtle, *Trachemys scripta*." The congress is held once every five years. Attendance at the congress permits the exchange of ideas and information with leading researchers and educators in the field from throughout the world.

CHARLES F. GRUBER, associate professor of history, participated in the Council on International Educational Exchange's faculty development seminar on "Protecting the Environment:

Politics and Policy" held June 12-22 in Sao Paulo, Brazil, and nearby areas. He also visited the Federal University of Espirito Santo in Vitoria which is West Virginia's sister state in the Partners of the Americas program.

Dr. BETTY J. CLECKLEY, vice president for multicultural and international programs, recently served as a guest speaker for the LeaderShape Institute at the Arronton House at the University of Illinois.

Dr. WILLIAM P. MARLEY, professor and director of the Human Performance Laboratory in the HPER Division, presented the keynote lecture for the Eastern Kentucky Sports Medicine Symposium held recently at King's Daughters' Hospital in Ashland, Ky. His presentation was titled "Conditioning Perspective, Including Sudden Death." MARLEY also has been appointed to the Cabell County Community Health Committee by the Cabell Huntington Health Department.

Dr. RICHARD LEMKE, associate professor of music, has been appointed the state chair of the Society of Music Teacher Education. The appointment was made by Dr. David Bess, president of the West Virginia Music Educators Association. In addition to his duties as state chair, LEMKE will serve on the SMTE Southern Division Executive Board. The Society of Music Teacher Education is a division of the Music Educators National Conference.

LESLIE PETTEYS, associate professor of music, successfully completed the 23rd annual International Workshops in Piano held July 15-28 in Lyon, France. The prestigious series of workshops is endorsed by various music organizations throughout the world.

Dr. JOAN TYLER MEAD, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, participated in the annual marathon reading of Melville's novel, "Moby-Dick," at Mystic Seaport, Mystic, Conn. The reading, which takes approximately 24 hours, was held July 31 to Aug. 1 on board the Charles W. Morgan, the last surviving sailing ship that earned income as a whaler.

Dr. MAURICE A. MUFSON, professor and chair of the Department of Medicine, was invited to serve as a visiting scientist in the Virology Department of the Karolinska Institute School of Medicine, Stockholm, Sweden, June 12-27. During his visit, he continued the collaborative research endeavors started several years ago with Professor Erling Norrby, dean of the Karolinska Institute School of Medicine. MUFSON was a guest speaker at the Infectious Diseases Department of Danderyds Hospital in Stockholm on June 14. He lectured on "Pneumococcal Diseases: Analysis of Fifteen Years of Epidemiological Surveillance of Bacteremic Disease in Huntington, W. Va." He recently participated in the 1994 Long Range Planning Retreat for officers of the Association of Professors of Medicine, the organization of 126 chairs of departments of medicine. He also presented the Medical Staff Conference at Pleasant Valley Hospital in Point Pleasant on July 21. His topic was "Ambulatory Management of Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Infection." His presentation was sponsored by the Huntington Medical Community Foundation, a non-profit organization sponsored by the MU School of Medicine, St. Mary's Hospital, Cabell Huntington Hospital and the Cabell County Medical Society.