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Noble selected MU Employee of the Month

Sherri Noble of Huntington, academic budget officer in the Academic Affairs Office, has been selected as the Marshall University Employee of the Month for August, according to Bill Burdette, chairman of the selection committee.

Noble has worked for the university for 15 years. She was nominated for the award by Jonathan T. Brown, director of the Learning Resources Center in the School of Nursing; Stephanie Neal, administrative aide in the Faculty Senate Office, and Karen D. King, administrative aide in the Staff Council Office.

On the nomination form, they said, “As president of Marshall University’s Staff Council for the past two years, Sherri has worked extensively with staff councils from around the state (especially WVU’s) to present a unanimous front to the Legislature on behalf of higher education.

“She effectively lobbied legislators for a salary schedule based on years of experience and was instrumental in developing key aspects of Senate Bills 377 and 519. During the legislative session, she took annual leave to watch over higher education legislation. After the 1993 session, she was designated ‘Lobbyist of the Year’ by the clerk of the House of Delegates. She is well deserving of the Employee of the Month award.”

Noble will receive a plaque and $100 for being named Employee of the Month and will be eligible for the Employee of the Year award.

Marshall University President J. Wade Gilley and his wife, Nanna, provided funds through a grant to establish the Employee of the Month and Employee of the Year program.

The program has been designed to recognize outstanding performance by classified and non-classified staff at the university. Awards will be made to MU employees who have exhibited exceptional levels of work performance and displayed high regard and loyalty toward the university and their job responsibilities.

Recommendations from Mooney Report adopted

Recommendations from “The Mooney Report” on athletic fund raising at Marshall University are being adopted effective Sept. 1, according to MU President J. Wade Gilley.

Gilley last spring appointed a committee headed by retired U.S. Army General Harley F. Mooney to study Marshall athletic fund raising. Other members of the committee were prominent Marshall alumni David Todd, Philip Cline, Dan Egnor and Marc Sprouse, along with MU Senior Vice President for Operations K. Edward Grose. The group was assisted by the Kersey & Associates consulting firm.

“The Mooney Committee produced an excellent report which gives direction for athletic fund raising at Marshall as we look to the 21st century and major changes in America and the National Collegiate Athletic Association,” Gilley said. “We were and remain particularly concerned about the insufficient number of athletic scholarships, considering the issues of gender equity and the possible restructuring of Division I football. We are also concerned about other trends, including a very recent interest in athletics by the Internal Revenue Service.’’

Gilley added, “Recognizing that the Big Green Scholarship Foundation has done an outstanding job in its fund raising programs on behalf of Marshall University athletics, we now need to focus on future needs and strive to double both the number of donors and the total dollars raised for athletic scholarships by (Continued on page 2)
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1999. The Mooney Report and the report by the consultants confirm this is an achievable goal.

Under the Mooney Report recommendations, athletic fund raising will be tied more closely to the university's overall fund raising programs, Gilley said. In line with this, a new position, Associate Vice President for Institutional Advancement and Director of Athletic Fund Raising, is being established.

Gilley said Dr. W. Donald Williams, retired chairman of the university's Department of Health, Physical Education and Recre-

Department given piano

A gift of music has been donated to Marshall University by a former West Virginia newspaper publisher to honor one of his colleagues.

Lyell B. Clay, former publisher of the Charleston Daily Mail, has donated a Yamaha Disklavier piano valued at more than $12,000 to the Marshall University Department of Music, according to Dr. Donald A. Williams, chairman of the department.

Clay requested that the piano be dedicated in honor of J.D. Maurice, a former editor of the Charleston Daily Mail and winner of the Pulitzer Prize for editorial writing in 1975.

Both men received degrees from Marshall. Clay received his master's degree in political science in 1956. Clay and his brother, Buckner, founded the Clay Foundation in 1987 and serve as co-chairs of the foundation board.

Maurice, who donated the cash award from his Pulitzer Prize to Marshall's Page Plitt Scholarship Fund, received a bachelor's degree in journalism in 1935 and was awarded an honorary doctoral degree by the university in 1963. Maurice received a Distinguished Alumnus Award from Marshall in 1977.

Williams said Clay's gift will be very beneficial to music students. He said the disklavier has a built-in compact disk player that can instantly record and play back a student's work on the piano. The instrument can also be a valuable tool for composing music and provide recorded accompaniment for singers and voice students.

"As a teaching tool, this piano is very valuable," said Williams. "It will give our instructors the opportunity to provide instant feedback to the students who will be able to hear their performances and hear what the instructor is talking about.

"We are very grateful Mr. Clay chose to make this type of contribution to the Music Department. He has a profound interest in music and recognizes what a valuable resource this piano can be for our students."

Artist seeks paintings

Dr. Arthur Carpenter, former chair of the Marshall University Art Department, and his family would like to collect his paintings that are hanging in offices throughout the campus.

If you have any of Carpenter's paintings please contact Michael Cornfeld in the Art Department, 696-2897.
Alumnus to make presentations on campus

Marshall University alumnus Richard H. Milton, a career diplomat with extensive experience in Latin American affairs, arms control and space defenses, will make a public presentation on "Global Security in the Post-Cold War Era," at Marshall University on Thursday, Sept. 8, at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge.

Milton, who received a bachelor's degree in education from Marshall in 1960 and a master's degree in geography from MU in 1964, also will speak to political science classes at 9:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. during his visit to the Marshall campus.

He currently serves as the special assistant for international affairs to the commander in chief of the North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) and political adviser to the commander in chief of the United States Space Command at Peterson Air Force Base in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Upon entering the U.S. Foreign Service in 1965, Milton served tours of duty in Peru, Mexico, Colombia and Nicaragua.

He served as a congressional fellow of the American Political Science Association in 1974 and worked for a year as an aide to Congressman Richardson Preyer of North Carolina and Senator Bill Brock of Tennessee. He then moved to Warsaw, Poland, as consul general where he helped begin the CSCE/Helsinki Accords process.

Milton returned to the United States in 1977 and taught at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, Conn. In 1979 he accepted the post of U.S. consul general in Bangkok, Thailand, where he created the Vietnamese Orderly Departure Program which permitted thousands of family reunifications.

Since 1982, his career has centered around arms control and technology in the U.S. foreign policy. He served as the State Department representative on the U.S. delegation to the defense and space talks held in Geneva in 1991-92 and since then has served at NORAD.

"This is not Mr. Milton's first visit back to Marshall," said Dr. Clair Matz, professor of political science. "In fact, we regularly use a video he made here in 1980 in our international politics classes. We are delighted that such a senior U.S. official is a Marshall graduate and serves as a role model for our students."

A native of Bowling Green, Ky., Milton is married to Evy Miller of Huntington. They have a son, Christopher, and a daughter, Ann Louise.

Milton's visit to campus is being sponsored by the Marshall University Department of Political Science and the Model International Organizations Club.

His presentations will be open to the public free of charge. To obtain further details contact Matz in Marshall University's Department of Political Science, 696-2763.

Quinlan grant applications due

The deadline for faculty members to submit applications for travel grants through the Quinlan Endowment is Monday, Sept. 12, according to Dr. Lee Erickson of the MU Research Committee.

Application forms are available in the office of the vice president for academic affairs. Completed applications should be returned to that office.

Dinner-Under-the-Tent planned

The Marshall University Alumni Association and Oldies 93, WRVC Radio, are sponsoring a Dinner-Under-the-Tent on Sept. 3 at Lefty Rollins Field prior to the Marshall/Morehead State football game.

Full Tilt Band will play from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Cost is $5 per person, which includes a meal of subs, potato salad and two beverages.

FACDIS seeking new members

Any faculty member involved in teaching one or more courses with an international focus is eligible to join FACDIS, the statewide consortium for Faculty and Course Development for International Studies, according to Dr. Carolyn Karr.

Interested faculty members should contact Karr at 696-2962 before Sept. 12 to be eligible for the fall conference which will be held at Lakeview Resort in Morgantown.
Arts Gala will enrich academic programs

Arts Gala 1994, a festive, cultural evening for the community, will allow Marshall University to enrich academic programming in the arts.

Scheduled for Sept. 17 in Marshall's Fine and Performing Arts Center, the gala features a reception, dinner, performance by celebrated cabaret singer Andrea Marcovicci, and dessert following the performance.

Marshall President J. Wade Gilley said the role of Arts Gala 1994 is twofold: "This is a community celebration of the arts, plus a way of securing additional revenue to enhance educational opportunities for our students and our faculty."

The first gala, held Oct. 3, 1992, featuring Maestra Rachel Worby and the Wheeling Symphony, cleared more than $100,000. From the total, $80,000 was used to establish an arts endowment and $20,000 provided immediate support for College of Fine Arts programs.

NEH grants available

National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipends provide support for faculty and staff members in universities and two-year and four-year colleges; for staff members in libraries, museums and historical societies; for independent scholars, and for other people working in the humanities.

The stipends enable recipients to devote two consecutive months of full-time study and research to their projects. The stipends normally support work carried out during the summer months but arrangements can be made for holding tenure at other times of the year.

Each stipend provides $4,000 for projects that do not require travel or $4,750 for projects that require travel.

The Marshall University deadline for submitting applications for National Endowment for the Humanities summer stipends is Sept. 21, according to Dr. Sarah Denman, associate vice president for academic affairs. Nominations must be submitted by the institution.

To obtain further details contact Denman in the Marshall University Academic Affairs Office, 696-3007 or 696-5442.

Library schedule set

Marshall University's James E. Morrow Library will observe the following hours during the fall semester, according to Jose­phine Fidler, director of libraries:

Monday through Thursday, 7:45 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Friday, 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, 1 to 10 p.m.

The library will be closed Saturday, Sunday and Monday, Sept. 3-5, for the Labor Day holiday. Regular semester hours will resume Sept. 6.

Health series to be discussed

A discussion group will be held in conjunction with the WP­BY-TV Women's Health Series program on "Straight Talk on Menopause" on Sept. 2 at 11 a.m. in Prichard Hall Room 143.

To obtain further details contact the MU Office of Student Health Education Programs, 696-4800.
Marshall faculty and staff achievements

Dr. HARLAN M. SMITH II, assistant professor of economics, recently returned from a 10-month appointment as a Fulbright Professor at the University of Cape Coast in Ghana. His appointment was funded by the U.S. Information Agency and was awarded on the basis of a nationwide competition. SMITH also had a paper titled "Cartels in an 'Nth-Best' World: The Wholesale Foodstuff Trade in Ibadan, Nigeria" published in the March issue of World Development.

Dr. ALLAN STERN, HDAT professor in the Safety Technology Department, attended the annual conference of the American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association held Aug. 7-11 in Burlington, Vt.

Dr. DAVID CUSICK, professor of mathematics, attended a three-day workshop on "Teaching Calculus with the HP48G/GX Calculator" held Aug. 1-3 at Clemson University.

Dr. Donald LaTorre, professor of mathematics at Clemson University, held a one-day workshop on the HP48GX graphing calculator for Marshall's Department of Mathematics on Aug. 13. LaTorre is nationally known for his work promoting technology in teaching mathematics in secondary schools and colleges. The MU Department of Mathematics previously decided to recommend that its students use graphing calculators in selected courses beginning this fall. Professors attending the workshop were: LAURA ADKINS, ARI ALUTHGE, DAVID CUSICK, JOHN DROST, STEVEN HATFIELD, ALAN HORWITZ, JOHN LANCASTER, KAREN MITCHELL, PHILIP MOORE, CHARLES PEELE, EVELYN PUPPLO-CODY and XINLONG WENG.

Dr. KEITH E. BARENKLAU, professor and director of the Safety Technology Program, addressed the annual banquet meeting of the Tri-State Fire School Association on Aug. 20. His address, "Guidelines for Success in Public Safety," was attended by approximately 150 people representing Tri-State fire companies along with guests from government and industry. BARENKLAU also was appointed to the association's Advisory Board.

Dr. HISHAM AL-HADDAD, assistant professor of computer science, co-authored a paper on the use of "Grid-Based Data Model for Multimedia Systems." His co-author, Dr. K.M. George, computer science professor at Oklahoma State University, presented the paper at the annual ISMM International Conference on Distributed Multimedia Systems and Applications held Aug. 15-17 in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Dr. TONY B. SZWILSKI, professor of environmental engineering and sciences for the Center for Environmental Geotechnical and Applied Sciences, recently was made an honorary Professor of the National Coal Mining Safety Center located in East Beijing, China. He received the honor due to his continuing work as chief technical adviser of mine and health safety for the international labor organization funded by the United Nations.

Dr. RAY J. BLANKENSHIP, assistant professor of management and marketing, recently defended his dissertation titled "Modeling Consumer Choice: An Experimental Comparison of Concept Learning System, Logit, and Artificial Neural Network Models." His research interests include learning algorithms for artificial neural networks, induction based expert systems and group decision support systems. BLANKENSHIP also is the director of Marshall's Management Information Systems program.

Dr. GARY O. RANKIN, professor and chairman of the Pharmacology Department in the School of Medicine, recently was presented the Research Award for 1993-94 by the West Virginia affiliate of the American Heart Association. RANKIN recently had a paper titled "In vivo and in vitro 4-amino-2,6-dichlorophenol nephrotoxicity and hepatotoxicity in the Fischer 344 rat" published in Toxicology. Co-authors were MONICA A. VALENTOVIC, JOHN G. BALL and DIANNE K. ANESTIS of the Pharmacology Department: RUU-TONG WANG and PATRICK I. BROWN of the Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology, and Derek W. Nicoll. RANKIN and co-authors DAVID J. YANG and HSIEH C. SHIH of the Pharmacology Department and JOHN L. HUBBARD of the Department of Chemistry had a paper titled "Synthesis and toxicity of C- and N-arylsuccinimides" published in Trends in Heterocyclic Chemistry.

Works of several composers to be featured

The works of composers from the 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th centuries will be featured during a concert by Joy Ratliff (mezzo-soprano), Delene Laubenstein McClure (soprano) and Erica Godshall (pianist) at Marshall University on Friday, Sept. 9, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

The concert, open to the public free of charge, will feature works by Henry Purcell (1659-1695), Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791), Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924), Ernest Chausson (1855-1899), Claude Debussy (1862-1918), Richard Strauss (1864-1949), Manuel de Falla (1876-1946), Samuel Barber (1910-1981) and Aaron Copland (1900-1990).

Ratliff, assistant professor of voice at Marshall, returned to the United States several years ago after a long operatic career in Germany where she sang leading mezzo-soprano roles. She said she specialized in "trouser roles" such as Cherubino in "Marriage of Figaro," Octavian in "Der Rosenkavalier," Nicklausse in "Tales of Hoffman," Orlofsky in "Die Fledermaus" and Hansel in "Hansel and Gretel."

She currently is completing work on her doctor of musical arts degree at the University of Maryland.

McClure received her bachelor's degree in vocal performance from Vanderbilt University and currently is working on a master's degree in voice and opera at the University of Maryland where she is a member of the Maryland Opera Studio. She has performed the roles of Susannah in "Marriage of Figaro" and Rosalinda in "Die Fledermaus" and will be appearing this fall in the Maryland Opera Studio production of Monteverdi's "The Return of Ulysses."

In March, McClure made her Kennedy Center debut as a finalist in the National Symphony Orchestra Young Soloists Competition.

Godshall, a native of Pennsylvania, has performed with the Lancaster (Pa.) Symphony and at the national conventions of Sigma Alpha Iota and the National Federation of Music Clubs. She has received numerous awards including the Music Arts Society Memorial Award. She previously won the National Society of Arts and Letters Competition and the Homer S. Ulrich Competition.

She is an honors piano student at the University of Maryland where she studies with Anne Koscielny.
MU gets four channels from cable contract

Cable television service has been installed in all residence hall rooms on the Marshall campus, according to Dr. William S. Deel, assistant vice president for operations.

The contract with Century Cable in Huntington provides the university with four free channels which will be used for educational and informational purposes.

One of the channels will be used by Marshall's Department of Instructional Television (ITV). It will give the department the opportunity to broadcast to all Century Cable subscribers--on and off campus.

"That means we will have the ability to broadcast programs and informational messages from the ITV center here on campus to all households in the Huntington area on the cable system," said Deel.

The other three channels will be available only on campus.

System test successful

Marshall University last week successfully conducted a test of its new computerized telephone registration system which has been designated as MILO (Marshall Interactive Liaison Online), according to Dr. William S. Deel, assistant vice president for operations.

Several students were picked at random from regular fall semester registration lines to test the university's new system which will be available for use by all students during registration beginning in October for the spring semester.

The tests were conducted to make sure the system works properly and to get reactions from students. "We wanted to have a trial run to make sure we get all the bugs out before we open it up for everyone," explained Deel. "We also thought it would be beneficial to get input from students who actually used the system to see if anything needed to be changed or improved."

"Overall we are very pleased. It took the first two students about six minutes to conduct their registration transactions. The students I talked with seemed to like the system much better than the alternative," Deel said.

Deel said the university has 100 trunk lines and 48 lines will be devoted to registration. Six lines were opened for the registration test.

Telephone registration will be conducted in accordance with the university's regular registration guidelines. Students of different ranks will have specific days to register and the computerized system will not permit a freshman to register if it is the day designated for seniors to register.

The system will not allow students to circumvent any registration requirements. For example, a student on probation will be required to see an adviser before being allowed to register.

"It is an excellent system and eventually can be expanded to other university functions such as housing reservations," Deel said. "It also has the capabilities of eventually allowing students to pay fees over the phone by credit card.

Newsletter deadline set

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.

Byrd CAD/CAM expanded

Expanded and upgraded computer-aided-design and computer-aided-manufacturing (CAD/CAM) capabilities are now available at Marshall University's Robert C. Byrd Institute for Advanced Flexible Manufacturing.

The center recently purchased 16 new Compaq Prolinea MT computers to provide more sophisticated CAD/CAM capabilities.

CAM programs enable manufacturers to write machine codes necessary to manufacture an object designed in a CAD program. Through the use of computer-integrated-manufacturing, machine codes can be integrated with manufacturing equipment to produce a manufacturer's product.

Robert H. Huston, director of systems and telecommunications at the Byrd Institute, said it is the goal of the institute to provide manufacturers access to new technologies. "These computers will allow us to train students as well as clients on a whole new generation of software programs," said Huston.

The new computers have updated versions of programs such as CADKey Version 7 and SmartCAM Free Form Machining Version 4. Courses will be offered for each of the programs. The Byrd Institute also will customize training courses in other software programs.