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Marshall to receive prestigious EVE Award

President J. Wade Gilley will lead a Marshall University delegation to Washington, D.C., Sept. 29 to receive a prestigious award recognizing the university's affirmative action program as outstanding.

The Exemplary Voluntary Efforts (EVE) Award will be presented to Gilley by U.S. Labor Secretary Robert B. Reich in ceremonies beginning at 1:30 p.m. in the Great Hall of the Department of Labor Building.

Marshall is only the second higher education institution to be selected for the award, granted for "outstanding affirmative action programs that have enhanced equal employment opportunities" for minorities, women, individuals with disabilities and disabled and Vietnam-era veterans. Temple University in Philadelphia received the award last year.

Donald Salyers retiring

Donald L. Salyers, director of public safety at Marshall University, has announced his retirement effective Sept. 30.

Salyers joined the Marshall staff in 1973 as director of campus safety after a 21-year career in the Huntington Police Department.

A native of Huntington, Salyers served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and served in the U.S. Army Reserve, attaining the rank of sergeant first class. He joined the Huntington Police Department in 1951 as a patrolman and rose to the rank of lieutenant before accepting the position at Marshall.

He completed police training programs at the West Virginia State Police Academy, the University of Louisville Southern Police Institute, Northwestern University, the U.S. Army Military Police School at Fort Gordon, Ga., and various other training programs and courses. He also received a Regents Bachelor of Arts degree from Marshall.

Salyers has been involved in many professional and community organizations and formerly served as president of the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators.

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Salyers

Faculty Senate to meet

Marshall University's Faculty Senate will meet Thursday, Sept. 29, at 4 p.m. in the patio dining area on the second floor of Memorial Student Center.

The agenda will include: approval of minutes of 4/28/94 and 5/12/94, announcements, the election of faculty representatives from the library to the Executive Committee, discussion with Athletic Director Lee Moon, the ACF report, committee recommendations, and agenda requests for future meetings.

Equating the significance of the award with Marshall's 1992 national football championship, Gilley said, "To become a champion in football, Marshall University had to overcome past failures and develop a winning attitude. Now, we're proud to say, we've done the same thing with affirmative action. The job is not finished, of course; it never will be," Gilley added, "but we will never quit trying."

Calling the affirmative action program "a real team effort," Gilley cited specifically the performances of Vice President for Multicultural and International Programs Betty J. Cleckley, Vice President for Academic Affairs Alan B. Gould, Affirmative Action Director Edouard L. Piou and Associate Vice president for Multicultural Affairs Kenneth E. Blue. All will accompany Gilley to the awards ceremony.

Piou said Marshall was being recognized for a range of 18 initiatives including programs aimed at increasing the numbers of minorities, women and those with disabilities among the student body, the administration and the faculty.

Marshall's minority faculty numbers increased from 6 percent in 1988 to 10 percent in 1993; minority managers from 4 percent to 8 percent in the same period; minority non-instructional professionals from 6 percent to 12 percent; minority technicians from 4 percent to 9 percent and minority clerical personnel from 4 percent to 9 percent. Similar gains were noted in the percentages of women in the various categories.

In one year alone, 1992-93, enrollment of minority students increased 25 percent, from 614 to 771, Piou noted.

Others receiving awards include Procter & Gamble, Rohm and Haas Co., Hyman/Manhattan, Union Bank, Crispus Attucks Association and the Council for Tribal Employment Rights.

The awards ceremony will be followed by a reception and a dinner. In addition, Gilley has been invited to a luncheon with Secretary Riech.

Black History Conference set

The seventh annual West Virginia Black History Conference will be held at Marshall University on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 23-24, in Memorial Student Center.

The conference will focus on the study of black history in West Virginia and include presentations by local and nationally known scholars who have demonstrated interest in researching and retaining the state's black history, according to Kenneth E. Blue, associate vice president for multicultural affairs at Marshall and conference coordinator.

"Our program this year will be both culturally and intellectually stimulating," said Blue. He said literary and historical materials will be on display in Memorial Student Center Room 2E10 throughout the conference.

Marshall President J. Wade Gilley will open the conference at 8:45 a.m.

Barbara A. Tagger, a professional historian for the National
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Black History Conference set Sept. 23-24

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Park Service and an instructor of history at Morehouse College in Atlanta, will be the keynote speaker. She will make a presentation titled "National Park Services' Contribution to Black History" at 9 a.m. Friday.

Tagger received her bachelor's degree from Howard University and her master's degree from Atlanta University. She currently is a candidate for a doctoral degree in African American studies at Emory University.

Tagger's presentation will be followed at 10 a.m. by a program titled "The Shepherd College Oral History Project: Research on the African American Community in Jefferson County" by Hannah Geffert, an instructor at Shepherd College.

Philip Carter, assistant professor of social work at Marshall, will discuss "Elements of Student and Community Organizing Against Racism in the Tri-State in the 1960s: Events, Targets, Strategies, Leadership and Followership" at 11 a.m.

Following lunch, Sandra Clements, coordinator of educational support programs at Marshall, will lead a panel discussion on "Private Black Education in West Virginia" at 1:30 p.m. Panelists will include James A. Tolbert, president of the West Virginia

NAACP, and Anna E. Gilmer, a member of the Alliance for the Collection, Preservation and Dissemination of West Virginia Black History.

A session on "The History and Development of ShapeNote Singing" will be presented from 2:30 to 3:20 p.m. by Samuel E. Henry, director of the ShapeNote Choir of the New Hope Baptist Church in Beckley.

Joseph Bundy, director of the Afro-Appalachian Performance Company, will make a presentation titled "Maceo Pinkerd: A Noted West Virginia Musical Composer" from 3:30 to 4:20 p.m.

Friday's events will end with a banquet at 7 p.m., followed by a presentation by acclaimed poet Norman Jordan of Ansted and a demonstration by the ShapeNote Choir.

Jordan will talk about the African American Tree Museum in Fayette County.

Saturday's activities will begin at 9 a.m. with a presentation titled "The Paw Paw Colored School" by Katherine Pannell.

The West Virginia African American Chautauqua will make several presentations between 10 and 11:30 a.m. Saturday. Actors in the group will portray the following personages associated with West Virginia: Martin R. Delaney (portrayed by Joseph Bundy of Bluefield), Ada "BrickTop" Smith (portrayed by Nikki Owens of Institute), Ann Spencer (portrayed by Brucella Jordan of Ansted), and Carter G. Woodson (portrayed by Norman Jordan of Ansted).

The Chautauqua actors are scheduled to visit Cammack Middle School, Spring Hill Elementary School and either Miller Elementary or Cabell Midland schools on Friday, Sept. 23.

Conference activities will end Saturday with a noon luncheon and presentation.

All conference programs will be open to the public free of charge. There will be a \$12 charge for the Friday banquet and an \$8 charge for the Saturday luncheon.

Continuing Education Units (CEUs) can be earned by attending the conference. To obtain further details contact Blue at Marshall University, 696-5430.

Health series to be discussed

Marshall University's offices of Student Health Education Programs and Women's Programs will hold discussion groups in conjunction with the Women's Health Series being televised by WPBY-TV, channel 33.

Discussion groups, which will be open to the public free of charge, will be held at 11 a.m. in the MU Women's Center, Pri- chard Hall Room 143.

The schedule includes the following: Oct. 7--"In the Public Interest: Breast Cancer"; Oct. 25--"A Woman's Health"; Oct. 28--"In the Public Interest: Domestic Violence."

To obtain further details call 696-4800.

Contributions needed for MU 'Flower Fund'

The University Functions Committee annually solicits donations in order to send flowers to faculty and administration members or their immediate families in times of distress, according to Dr. Mack Gillenwater.

During the past year on behalf of the faculty and administration, the committee acknowledged 35 requests for both hospital and funeral arrangements at a cost of nearly \$1,200.

Gillenwater said in order for the committee to carry out this primary function, as outlined in the Greenbook, the committee is seeking donations of at least \$5 from faculty and administrators.

Contributions can be sent to Gillenwater in Marshall University's Geography Department. Checks should be made payable to the University Functions Committee.

Gillenwater said he would like to thank faculty and administrators for contributions this year and in the past.

Donald Salyers retiring

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"Don Salyers has been a great asset to the Marshall University campus," said MU President J. Wade Gilley. "He took a small force of security guards whose main duty was to write parking tickets and supervised its transition to a professionally trained police force that provides 24-hour security to the Marshall campus.

"He has served the university and the community in a highly professional manner and has provided innovative leadership during a period of growth and expansion at the university."

Reception for Salyers planned

A retirement reception in honor of Donald L. Salyers, director of public safety, will be held Wednesday, Sept. 28, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge.

All faculty, staff and administrators are invited to attend.

Grant awarded to plan state mine center

Dr. Richard D. Begley, associate professor and chairman of Marshall University's Engineering Department, and Dr. R. Larry Grayson, dean of WVU's College of Mineral and Energy Resources, will share a grant of \$42,000 from the West Virginia Coal Mine Safety and Technical Review Commission to plan the structure and mission of a statewide center for small mine health and safety.

The center's main purpose will be to provide a statewide coordinated effort between higher education and state and federal governments to help small mine operators address health and safety problems as well as environmental issues.

Begley said that small mines account for approximately 85 percent of the active coal mine operations in West Virginia. "The mining of coal has a tremendous number of factors affecting the health and safety of mine workers and the environment," he explained. "These issues become much more difficult for the operators of small mines who do not have the resources to keep up with changing technology and regulations."

"The small mines community continues to play a significant role in meeting the energy needs of the state and nation," said Chris Hamilton, vice president of the West Virginia Coal Associ-

ation. "The state has 500 or more small mines that provide more than 9,000 direct and 60,000 indirect jobs with an annual payroll of \$1 billion. Small mines account for more than \$100 million dollars in state taxes. It's clearly in the state's best interest not only to see that the small mine operators survive in the complexities and difficulties of today's market, but also to effectively compete in a safe, productive and environmentally sound manner," he added.

Dr. Grayson said the center will be developed in three phases. The first phase will pull together representatives from industry, government, academia, labor, coal associations and other groups to discuss the type and extent of services that could be offered through a statewide mine health and safety center. Phase two will identify and evaluate the role of the various agencies and institutions capable of providing these services, and phase three will be the actual development of a plan for the functioning of the center.

"The plan will include the organizational requirements, the statement of the mission and objectives, projected operational costs, and potential funding sources for future work and expansion of the program," Grayson said.

"Dr. Grayson and I both think that the development of a statewide center primarily concerned with the improvement of small mine safety is extremely timely," Begley said. "A program such as this has the potential to save lives and improve the work environment. We know the coal industry, including small coal mines, will continue to be an important source of energy in our future, and we believe a center for mine safety and health in West Virginia can help ensure continuous improvements of safety in the mines," he added.

Begley and Grayson are both mining engineers with collective experience in several phases of mining operations including

Former professor dies

Lyell V. Douthat, 92, of Portsmouth, Ohio, formerly of Huntington, died Tuesday, Aug. 30, in Scioto Memorial Hospital, Portsmouth.

Douthat served as a professor at Marshall University for 41 years, retiring in 1967.

He graduated in 1926 from Marshall, where he was a member and captain of the baseball team and served as student body president in 1925-26. He received a master's degree in education administration from Ohio State University and a master's degree in geography from Marshall.

Douthat received the Valley Forge Freedom Foundation Award in 1961. He helped establish and later managed the MU Artists Series, edited the Marshall Alumni news and twice served as president of Kappa Delta Pi honor society.

He was well-known as a photographer and owned and operated his own photographic studio. Douthat also was involved in many community activities and organizations.

He is survived by three sons, Ruding T. Douthat of Lake Tahoe, Nev., David G. Douthat of Vienna, Va., and Wylie L. Douthat of Huntington; 10 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Lyell and Pauline Douthat Scholarship Fund at Marshall.

Eddins to be honored

The Division of Enrollment Management will host a retirement reception in honor of Robert H. Eddins, registrar, Monday, Sept. 26, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Erickson Alumni Center, 1731 Fifth Ave.

All faculty, staff and administrators are invited to attend.

Krasnow joins surgeons

Dr. Michael A. Krasnow, a specialist in glaucoma and cataract surgery, has joined University Eye Surgeons, a division of University Physicians & Surgeons.

Krasnow, who has practiced in Huntington for four years, also is an associate professor of ophthalmology at the Marshall University School of Medicine. Medical students last year honored him as the best volunteer faculty member for the Department of Family and Community Health.

His office is located in the Fairfield Building at 1616 Thirteenth Ave. in Huntington.

Krasnow came to Huntington in 1990, following a fellowship in glaucoma at the University of Iowa. He took his ophthalmology residency at the Tulsa (Okla.) Regional Medical Center, and received his medical degree from the College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific in Pomona, Ca.

Excused absences. . .

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

Sept. 21-24--Denton Anderson, Kristin Butcher.

Marshall faculty and staff achievements

Dr. MAURICE A. MUFSON, professor and chair of the Department of Medicine, and research colleagues in Houston have received the Louis Weinstein Award from the journal *Clinical Infectious Diseases*. The award honors the best clinical article published in the journal between July 1993 and July 1994. The article for which they were honored is titled "Antibody to capsular polysaccharides of the *Streptococcus pneumoniae*: prevalence, persistence and response to revaccination." Published in July 1993, the article describes in part the findings of MUFSON's research on pneumococcal vaccine and antibody responses of elderly persons.

Dr. ANTHONY J. BOWDLER, professor of medicine, as president of the West Virginia Division of the American Cancer Society, attended the annual meeting of the society held Sept. 9-10 in Beckley. He presided over the County Unit reporting session and took part in the presentation of awards to society staff and volunteers.

Dr. ROBERT P. ALEXANDER, distinguished professor of management, recently had two photographs published on the inside cover of the Texas A & M University College of Business summer 1994 brochure, "Margin of Excellence," which was devoted to international business. The photographs were taken last

summer during ALEXANDER's participation in international programs in Japan, Hong Kong and Singapore.

Dr. JOAN TYLER MEAD, dean of the College of Liberal Arts and professor of English, helped compile the annotated "International Poe Bibliography: 1989-1991" in *Edgar A. Poe Studies* (25, June/December 1992: 10-36).

The following faculty and students from the MU Chemistry Department presented papers and posters at the 203rd national meeting of the American Chemical Society held Aug. 21-25 in Washington, D.C.: Dr. J. GRAHAM RANKIN, assistant professor; Gary D. Blevins and Ron Tucceri presented a paper titled "Infrared and Raman Spectroscopies of Coal Geoporphyrins." Dr. LAWRENCE R. SCHMITZ, associate professor, and Y.R. Chen presented a poster titled "Heats of Formation Calculated from MO Theory and Empirical Group Increment Scheme: Alkenes." SCHMITZ and R. Adkins presented a paper titled "Heats of Formation Calculated from MO Theory and Empirical Group Increment Scheme: Conjugated Dienes." Dr. JAMES E. DOUGLASS, professor, and Dr. MICHAEL L. NORTON, associate professor, also attended the meeting.

L. JANE ROGERS and Dr. BARBARA DAVIS of the School of Nursing had an article titled "Hyperthermia Risk Warnings to Pregnant Women" accepted for publication in *Maternal Child Nursing*. DAVIS presented a paper titled "Measuring Health Professionals' Attitude of Rural Appalachian Culture" at the National Conference for Instrumentation in Nursing held Sept. 22-24 in Tucson, Ariz. DAVIS and Dr. Helen Bush, professor emerita at Texas Woman's University, have had an article titled "Developing Effective Measurement Instruments: A Case Study on the Consumer Emergency Care Satisfaction Scale" accepted for publication in *Journal of Nursing Care Quality*.

CHARLOTTE EDWARDS, adolescent health specialist in the HDAT Department, participated in a national REACH (Resources for Enhancing Adolescent Community Health) Training of Trainers program held Sept. 6-9 in Estes Park, Colo. The training will enable EDWARDS to better facilitate and support community action to address the issues surrounding adolescent health in Cabell, Lincoln, Logan, Mason, Mingo and Wayne counties.

Feaganes named to post

Jodi Feaganes has been named assistant director of the West Virginia Council on Economic Education and the Marshall University Center for Economic Education, according to Dr. Neil Arneson, professor of social studies education at Marshall and WVCEE executive director.

Feaganes received her bachelor's degree in social studies from Marshall and is a member of the National Dean's List. She is employed as a substitute teacher in Cabell and Wayne counties and previously served as manager of AAA Video.

She will be responsible for training and consulting with middle school and high school teachers throughout West Virginia participating in the Stock Market Game, a simulation that teaches students about investing and the role it plays in the United States economy.

Feaganes will concentrate on getting more teachers and students throughout the state involved in the Stock Market Game and getting additional funding from businesses and brokerage firms to support the game.

Fellowships available

Residential fellowships for scholars are being advertised by the National Humanities Center, according to Dr. Leonard Deutsch, dean of the MU Graduate School.

Awards for September 1995 through May 1996 will allow humanists to study and exchange ideas with other scholars at the center which is located in the Research Triangle Park in North Carolina.

Stipends are determined by the NHC in negotiation with the fellows. The application deadline is Oct. 15, 1994.

To obtain further details contact the Graduate School Office, Old Main Room 113.

Fulbright programs open

The Council for International Exchange of Scholars (CIES) offers several opportunities for colleges and universities to participate in the Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program.

A Scholar-in-Residence program allows institutions or individual academic schools and departments to submit a proposal to host a Fulbright lecturer in the social sciences or humanities for a semester or academic year. The SIR is a resource that can be used to assist in developing new area studies, global studies or international programs, or to broaden programs already in place. November 1 is the deadline for applications for SIR.

The Occasional Lecturer Program provides travel support for Fulbright scholars to present guest lectures. During two- or three-day visits the scholars will give lectures to classes, offer seminars and participate in colloquia, speak to community and campus groups and exchange ideas with students and faculty.

To obtain further details about these and other CIES programs contact the Marshall University Academic Affairs Office, 696-3007 or 696-5442.