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Dr. Jeffrey L. Powell selected as John Deaver Drinko Academy Fellow for 2013-2014

Dr. Jeffrey L. Powell, a professor in the department of philosophy, has been selected as the 2013-2014 Distinguished John Deaver Drinko Academy Fellow, according to Dr. Alan Gould, executive director of the academy.

Appointed annually, the fellow receives a generous stipend, a reduced teaching load, and other financial and clerical support for two academic years to undertake research projects and other scholarly pursuits. Gould said the choice of Powell is a historic one in the history of the Drinko Academy.

“This is a special one because it represents the 20th year of the Drinko Academy,” he said.

Powell will present the results of his work to the university community at a symposium next spring during Marshall’s annual Celebration of Academics.

“I feel very honored to be recognized as the new Drinko Fellow, and I hope to fulfill the promise expected by such recognition,” Powell said. “I equally hope to add to the accomplishments of the previous Drinko Fellows and all of their good scholarly work.”

He said he plans to employ the time afforded by the appointment to work on a manuscript treating the history of aesthetic inquiry and the specific contribution of Martin Heidegger to that history.

“His research has greatly enhanced our understanding of the philosophy of Heidegger,” Gould said. “Dr. Powell represents the breadth, depth and quality of the faculty here at Marshall University.”

Powell said, “I will also be devoting a portion of my time to completing a translation of Heidegger’s *The History Beyng* for Indiana University Press, as well as completing an edited collection concerning the philosophical contribution of the German dramatist, Friedrich Schiller.”
Powell has been at Marshall since 1996, when he was hired as an assistant professor of philosophy. He was named an associate professor of philosophy in 2000, and a professor in 2007. Powell’s areas of specialization are Heidegger, 19th and 20th Century Continental Philosophy, History of Philosophy, Aesthetics and Ethics.

He earned an A.B. in psychology in 1981 from Ohio University; an M.A. in Psychology in 1984 from Duquesne University; a Collegium Phaenomenologicum in 1987 from Perugia, Italy; an M.A. in Philosophy in 1989 from Loyola University of Chicago; and, a Ph.D. in Philosophy in 1994 from DePaul University.

Marshall Artists Series to close out season with ‘The Addams Family’

The dark, spooky world of America’s strangest family will close out the 76th season of the the Marshall Artists Series at 7 p.m. Sunday, April 28, when The Addams Family comes to the Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center.

The Addams Family features an original story and it’s every father’s nightmare. Wednesday Addams, the ultimate princess of darkness, has grown up and fallen in love with a sweet, smart young man from a respectable family, a man her parents have never met. And, as an added complication, she confides in her father and begs him not to tell her mother. Now, Gomez Addams must do something he’s never done before – keep a secret from his beloved wife, Morticia. Everything will change for the whole family on the fateful night they host a dinner for Wednesday’s “normal” boyfriend and his parents.

The Addams Family was an immediate hit from the time it debuted on Broadway in March 2010 to its closing in December 2011. Chris Jones of the Chicago Tribune described the production as “classic, full-tilt, fast paced, old fashioned musical comedy!” John Simon of Bloomberg News called it “uproarious! A glitzy-gloomy musical entirely worthy of the macabre drawings of Charles Addams.”

Charles Addams had a prolific career which spanned six decades, but it was his creation of the characters that became known as The Addams Family that brought him his greatest acclaim. With a unique style that combined the twisted, macabre and just plain weird with charm and wit, Addams’ drawings entertained millions worldwide and served as the inspiration for multiple television series and motion pictures.
For ticket information, contact the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center Box Office at ext.6-6656.

Sponsors for *The Addams Family* include Huntington Federal, Kendall York Dentistry, KEE 100, Oldies 97.1, WTCR, WSAZ, Herald Dispatch, Marshall University, MU College of Fine Arts and the Marshall Artists Series.

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**Friel to give final Amicus Curiae lecture tomorrow**

A Marshall alumnus who is a prominent civil rights attorney in Washington D.C., will deliver the final lecture in this year’s Amicus Curiae Lecture Series on Constitutional Democracy at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 18, in the Marshall University Foundation Hall, home of the Erickson Alumni Center.

With the U.S. Supreme Court poised to decide the constitutionality of California’s ban on same-sex marriage and the federal Defense of Marriage Act, Gregory Friel will examine the emergence of the gay rights movement, its triumphs and setbacks in the courts and political arena, and the battles now raging over marriage equality for same sex marriage in his address, “From Death, Oppression and Stigma to Marriage Equality.”

After graduating *magna cum laude* from Harvard Law School, Friel clerked for a federal court of appeals judge and then joined the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, where he worked for two decades as an appellate litigator.

The *Amicus Curiae* Lecture Series is sponsored by the Simon Perry Center for Constitutional Democracy with financial support from the West Virginia Humanities Council. The lecture is free and open to the public. The lecture is approved for one hour of West Virginia MCLE general credit.

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Melinda Combs named Employee of the Month

Melinda Combs, Administrative Secretary Senior in the College of Science Office, is the Marshall University Employee of the Month for January, according to Michelle Brown-Douglas, chair of the Employee of the Month Committee.

Combs was nominated by the entire faculty and staff of the Department of Chemistry, where she formerly worked. The nomination notes that when the department chair was out of the office, faculty members knew that she could handle problems and field questions with great efficiency. “Students are completely comfortable working with her and accept her answers to their questions about our program…,” the nomination said.

After moving to the Dean’s office in the College of Science last August, Combs continued to work in both offices for more than eight weeks, the nominators said, and they had high praise for her efforts and willingness to make the arrangement work during that period. “She has done an incredible job in completing every assignment given to her by us on time and nearly flawlessly,” they wrote of that time. “She has worked a large number of uncompensated hours in the evenings and at home…she has stayed after the end of her shift on many occasions.”

Combs has managed the transition as “a picture of grace….and has developed solutions to keep the offices functioning,” according to the nomination. The faculty and staff noted that they wish her well and their nomination was their way of saying “thank you as a going away gift to an exemplary employee and person.”

Combs was presented with a plaque and a check for $100 by President Stephen J. Kopp.

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Reminder: Preliminary master plan to be unveiled at open house today

A preliminary version of the Huntington campus master plan, which is currently under development, will be reviewed by the community at an open house. The event will take place from 5:30 to 7 p.m. today, April 17, in room BE-5 of the Memorial Student Center.

All members of the university and Huntington communities are invited to attend, said Dr. Karen Kirtley, senior vice president of administration.

“We are currently at the latter part of the idea generation stage of the process,” Kirtley said. “It’s important that we take time now to see what the community has to say about the plans.”
Plans also call for the preliminary plan to be presented to the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission before refining the plan. Further information on the planning process can be found at www.marshall.edu/mplan.

Marshall Chamber Choir to give concert in Hurricane April 20

The Marshall University Chamber Choir, directed by Dr. David Castleberry, will present Maurice Duruflé’s Requiem at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 20, at Forrest Burdette United Methodist Church in Hurricane, W.Va., as part of the PipeSounds series.

David Donathan, director of music at Christ Church United Methodist in Charleston, will accompany the choir and present the second half of the program on the church’s Harrah organ.

“The opportunity to perform this wonderful 20th-century masterpiece, supported by such an amazing instrument, makes this concert a special occasion for us,” Castleberry said. “This truly will be a concert not to be missed.”

The MU Chamber Choir, a select 35-voice ensemble, has been featured in performances for American Choral Directors Association, the Music Educators National Conference, the American Guild of Organists, and in a PBS-WYBY award-winning video, Choral Fusion. A year ago, the choir presented a 10-day performance tour in France that included Sunday high mass at Paris’s historic Cathedral of Notre Dame, along with concerts through central and southern France.

“After our tour last year, I was afraid this year might be a bit of a letdown. But the chance to perform Mozart’s Requiem with the West Virginia Symphony in January and the Duruflé in April have made this an equally memorable year,” Castleberry said. “We are thrilled to share this concert with David Donathan, our hosts at Forrest Burdette Church and the community.”

Admission is $10 for adults, $5 for students, and free for children under 5. For more information and directions, visit the series website at www.pipesounds.org.
Reminder: Empty Bowls is Friday, April 19

The annual “Empty Bowls” event, now in its 10th year, will take place from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Friday, April 19, at First Presbyterian Church, 1015 5th Ave.

Empty Bowls is a national initiative, said Jaye Ike, special projects coordinator for the College of Fine Arts. For a $12 donation, people will receive a modest soup lunch and leave with a bowl made by Marshall students and those assisting them, with all proceeds donated to the Huntington Area Food Bank. Participants pick their one-of-a-kind bowl, and go through a soup line. The lunch is intended to be modest as a reminder to participants that many people in the Tri-State area go hungry.

“Please plan to attend, and invite friends,” Ike said. “Last year we raised nearly $20,000 for the food bank. Let’s do it again!”

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Men to “Walk a Mile in Her Shoes®” Tuesday, April 23

Marshall’s Women’s Center and CONTACT Rape Crisis Center will host “Walk a Mile in Her Shoes®: The International Men’s March to Stop Rape, Sexual Assault and Gender Violence” beginning at 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 23. This event, which raises awareness of rape, sexual assault and gender violence, is held annually on the university’s Huntington campus.

Inspired by the saying that you can’t understand someone else’s experience until you’ve walked a mile in his or her shoes, men will literally walk one mile in women’s high-heeled shoes. Women and children are also welcome to march in solidarity.

In the past, men of Huntington and Marshall of all ages and backgrounds have participated – including athletes, professors, policemen, administrators, businessmen, and students. The walk will start on Buskirk Field (close to the Memorial Fountain), where CONTACT’s Spring-a-poloosa also will be taking place. High heels will be provided at registration.

For more information about this year’s Walk a Mile in Her Shoes® event, contact the MU Women’s Center at mcelfish@marshall.edu/ 304-696-3338, or visit the MU Women’s Center Facebook page.

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Art Auction to support COFA Florence trip

Marshall University’s Florence Study Abroad program will host an art auction at Black Sheep Burritos and Brews in Huntington beginning at 5 p.m. Tuesday, April 23.

The works of art available for purchase range from small to big-ticket items and are mainly the creations of talented faculty artists at Marshall, said Jaye Ike, special projects coordinator for the College of Fine Arts. Auction attendees will also be able to bid on other items and services donated by the community. Featured art is displayed for public view on the 6th floor of Smith Hall this week.

Proceeds from the auction will be used to create a cultural fund for the May 2013 Florence Study Abroad Program. Marshall students traveling to Florence will explore the historic city while taking interdisciplinary courses in photography and writing. The auction proceeds will provide funding for multiple day trips, during which students will gain firsthand cultural experience by visiting areas in Italy outside of Florence, such as Siena and Assisi.

Community members and local businesses interested in donating big-ticket items for auction, such as gift certificates, may contact Dr. Rachael Peckham at peckham@marshall.edu or Daniel Kaufmann at kaufmann@marshall.edu for more information.

“‘I think the COFA Florence trip provides students with an invaluable experience that will deeply enrich their lives,” said Kaufmann, who teaches photography at Marshall. “The money raised by the art auction will supplement the cultural fund of the trip creating more opportunities for students to absorb the rich and unique culture of the region. Last year’s auction was extremely successful, raising over $3000 that funded a private trip to Siena and an authentic, unforgettable Italian culinary experience.’”

Fourth annual Appalachian Institute of Digital Evidence Conference being hosted by Forensic Science Center

Marshall’s Forensic Science Center is hosting the fourth annual Appalachian Institute of Digital Evidence (AIDE) Conference which runs through Friday, April 19, to provide training in digital forensics and evidence recovery and information security.

The conference is offering a wide array of training for professionals and students in the fields of law, digital forensics, law enforcement and information security. The conference began on Monday with sessions running today through Friday, April 19, at the Forensic Science Center.

The conference continues in Charleston on Monday, April 22, with a session on electronic discovery at the Capitol Conference Center. “E-Discovery in the Trenches” will illustrate an
electronic discovery case study from beginning to end. Topics include: relating claims to data; lawyer/client communication about litigation readiness, internal systems and individual data practices; and limiting and responding to discovery requests.

The Honorable Christopher C. Wilkes and the Honorable James J. Rowe, judges with the West Virginia Business Court Division, will participate in a panel discussion of e-discovery issues and peeves. See http://www.appyide.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/Flyer.pdf for more information.

“We may not think about the fact that all day, every day we are creating evidence,” said Jill McIntyre, vice president of AIDE and an attorney with Jackson Kelly PLLC, “But in today’s data-rich world, people leave digital fingerprints everywhere they go. Physical movement is tracked via cell phone towers. Advertisers collect and mine information about Internet browsing activity and television use. Tweets can be harvested within a city block or on a mountainside. The more we do with devices, the more the law must follow us there. Lawyers, police officers and government investigators engage in legitimate digging, while information security professionals protect us from illegitimate digging. AIDE is passionate about its mission to educate stakeholders in these areas.”

John Sammons, an assistant professor in the Integrated Science and Technology Department, is chair of the Digital Forensics Working Group for AIDE and was an original organizer of the Appalachian Institute of Digital Evidence. He said the conference offers a wide array of great speakers from Marshall, nationally recognized digital forensics experts from Purdue University and Access Data, several law firms, the West Virginia Prosecuting Attorneys Institute, the West Virginia State Police, information security firms and many more.

Faculty recital to take place Friday

Marshall music faculty members Dr. Michael Stroeher, trombone, and Dr. Henning Vauth, piano, will present a recital at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 19, at Johnson Memorial Methodist Church at 513 10th St. in Huntington.

The program will feature music written for instruments other than the trombone by Beethoven, Dvorak, Mahler and Prokofiev.

“There’s so little music written for trombone before modern times, that if we want to play anything Classical or Romantic, we have to ‘steal’ it,” Stroeher said.

The concert is free and open to the public. For further information, contact the School of Music and Theatre at 304-696-3117.
Visiting lecturer in sexuality studies to speak tomorrow

Dr. Guillermo De Los Reyes will speak on “Sodomites, Maricones and Gays: Sexuality and Performance in Greater Mexico” at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 18, in Smith Hall 433. His presentation is being sponsored by Marshall’s Sexuality Studies program.

The author’s work argues that the existence of male communities in Mexico, where sexual practices promoted a shared sexual and gendered group identity that transcended social status and ethnicity, destabilized the binaries and boundaries of gender, sex, race, and ethnicity that different institutions sought to impose.

De Los Reyes is an associate professor of Latin American Literature and Cultural Studies, director of undergraduate studies in the Department of Hispanic Studies, and associate director of Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies at the University of Houston. He holds a Ph.D. and a M.A. in Ethnography and Cultural Studies from the University of Pennsylvania and a M.A. and B.A. in International Relations from the Universidad de las Américas-Puebla. He is the author of Herencias Secretas: Masonería, política y sociedad en México (Benemérita Universidad Autónoma de Puebla 2009) and he is currently completing a second book, Sodomy and Society: Sexuality, Gender, Race and Class in Colonial Mexico.

For more information, contact Sexuality Studies at www.marshall.edu/sexualitystu.

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Repeal of ‘Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell’ subject of speech at Marshall

Col. Gary A. Packard Jr., the Permanent Professor and Head of the Department of Behavioral Sciences and Leadership (DFBL) at the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo., will speak at Marshall on the repeal of the “Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell” policy.

Packard’s presentation, sponsored by the College of Liberal Arts, will take place at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 24, in room BE-5 of the Memorial Student Center. The lecture is free to the public.

Packard served at the Pentagon as the Air Force writer on the Secretary of Defense’s Comprehensive Review Working Group in 2010 studying the repeal of “Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell.”

Beginning in 1993, “Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell” was the official policy governing homosexuality among military personnel. The policy prohibited discrimination and harassment of homosexual and bisexual personnel while also prohibiting people who “demonstrate a propensity or intent to engage in homosexual acts” from serving in the armed forces of the United States, because their
presence “would create an unacceptable risk to the high standards of morale, good order and discipline, and unit cohesion that are the essence of military capability.” The policy was repealed on Sept. 20, 2011.

Packard will review the research that led to the repeal of the policy.

Prior to joining the faculty at the Air Force Academy, Packard was the commander of the 32nd Flying Training Squadron at Vance Air Force Base in Oklahoma. He also serves as the Air Force Academy’s Chair for Respect for Human Dignity and as the Head Officer Representative and Eligibility Chair for the varsity men’s soccer team.

Packard was born and raised in Chelsea, Mich., and received his commission in 1982 from the United States Air Force Academy. He has served in various flying and academic assignments and has more than 3,900 flying hours in T-37, T-38, T-1, TG-7A and KC-10 aircraft. Packard is the father of four children.

Stormwater Fact of the Month from Environmental Health and Safety

Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

– Illicit discharges are generally any discharges into a storm drain system that are not composed entirely of stormwater.

– Report any and all illicit discharges on campus to the Physical Plant (304) 696-6680. This includes dumping oil, wastewater, nutrients, and other liquids into sewer drains and waterways.

Pollution Prevention & Good Housekeeping

– Make sure all trash (wrappers, cigarette butts, etc.) are disposed of in the proper containers.

– Recycle.

– If you notice something other than water going into a storm drain, especially near dumpsters and generators, contact the Physical Plant Office immediately.
Dr. Gary Rankin receives alumni award from Ole Miss

Dr. Gary O. Rankin, professor and chair of the Department of Pharmacology, Physiology and Toxicology at the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, was recently honored by the Department of Medicinal Chemistry at the University of Mississippi School of Pharmacy with its Joseph Sam Distinguished Alumni Award.

Rankin, who graduated with his doctorate from “Ole Miss” in 1976, joined the Marshall University faculty in 1978 after completing postdoctoral work at the Medical College of Ohio, now the University of Toledo. Rankin serves as principal investigator for the National Institutes of Health-funded West Virginia IDeA Network of Biomedical Research Excellence (WV-INBRE) program. He has authored or coauthored more than 100 peer-reviewed manuscripts, eight review articles, 13 book chapters and nearly 200 research presentations at local, regional, national and international meetings.

Rankin was honored in March during a ceremony in Oxford, Miss.

Marshall professor chosen as finalist for William C. Friday Outstanding Article Award

Dr. Jarrod Schenewark of the School of Kinesiology is among the finalists for the 2013 William C. Friday Outstanding Article Award.

The award recognizes the outstanding article in the Journal of Issues in Intercollegiate Athletics for the 2012 calendar year, as selected by the publication’s editorial review board.

Schenewark’s article, “A Dual Model of Work-Family Conflict and Enrichment in Collegiate Coaches,” was coauthored by Dr. Marlene A. Dixon from the University of Texas and focuses on how work-family conflict and enrichment can influence life outcomes for mothers and fathers who are coaches. Schenewark spent six years working as a collegiate football coach at all levels of the NCAA and knows firsthand the impact this job can have on one’s family life.

“I feel a great sense of pride and honor to be recognized amongst the other scholars in my field,” Schenewark said. “My gratitude is immense and I can’t thank them enough.”
Dr. Gary McIlvain, associate dean of the College of Health Professions and chair of the School of Kinesiology, said he was not surprised by this announcement. He considers Schenewark among the most active in the School of Kinesiology as well as in his field.

“The honor of being named as a finalist by his peers in the field of sports management speaks volumes of the dedication to his discipline,” McIlvain said. “This just demonstrates the caliber of faculty in the College of Health Professions and School of Kinesiology. We are excited and congratulate him on this accomplishment.”

The other finalists for this award will represent East Carolina University in North Carolina and Ball State University in Indiana at the CSRI conference. The winning authors will receive a $150 award in addition to an award plaque commemorating their achievement.

The winner will be announced at the College Sport Research Institute (CSRI) conference, which is taking place at the University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill April 17-19.

Reminder: Registration under way for women’s basketball camps

MU women’s basketball Little Herd Summer Camp will be conducted June 24-27, for any and all girls ages 5-12. The Team Camp will be conducted June 14-16, and is open to any and all varsity and junior varsity high school students. Marshall employees will receive a 10% discount for the Little Herd Camp. Registration forms with complete details may be accessed at http://herdzone.cstv.com. Click on women’s basketball under sports.

The next issue of We Are…Marshall will be distributed April 24, 2013. Please send any materials for consideration to Pat Dickson by noon, April 22.