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General faculty meeting scheduled on Tuesday

The first general faculty meeting of the 1983-84 academic year will be held at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 18, in Old Main Auditorium, according to Dr. Donald Tarter, University Council acting chairman.

**AGENDA**
1. Nominations will be called for to fill a vacancy on the Commencement and Honorary Degrees Committee (1985).

**BOR releases headcount enrollment figures for fall**

The West Virginia Board of Regents has announced that fall 1983 credit headcount enrollment for the public colleges and universities is 72,034 students, a 0.2 percent increase over the fall 1982 total of 71,903.

The actual fall 1983 enrollment also exceeds the projection of 71,564 made earlier this year by the Board of Regents.

Those institutions showing the largest percentage increase are Southern West Virginia Community College with 18.5 percent, followed by the West Virginia College of Graduate Studies with 11.8 percent, Shepherd College with 11.7 percent, and West Virginia State College with 7.2 percent.

**Dr. John McKernan to lecture about modern poetry, painting**

A lecture series on the relationships between modern poetry and modern painting will be presented by Dr. John McKernan, Marshall University professor of English, on four Sunday afternoons, beginning Oct. 16, at the Huntington Galleries.

The programs will begin at 2 o'clock. The American poets whose work will be discussed are:

- Oct. 16, William Carlos Williams;
- Oct. 23, Wallace Stevens;
- Oct. 30, Robinson Jeffers;
- Nov. 6, Weldon Kees and Frank O'Hara.

The lecture series is an outgrowth of a Lyceum Grant from the Humanities Foundation of West Virginia, a state program of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

**DID YOU KNOW...**

That Branches Domestic Violence Shelter, a United Way Agency, provided emergency shelter and other services to nearly 500 families during its first year of operation?

**Plant sale set next week**

The Biological Society will conduct a plant sale at Memorial Student Center on Wednesday, Oct. 19, from noon to 4 p.m. and on Thursday, Oct. 20, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Proceeds from the sale will be used to finance a fall field trip.
Milosz lectures rescheduled for Nov. 16-17

The visit of noted poet Czeslaw Milosz to Marshall University scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 19-20, has been postponed, according to Dr. Barbara Brown, MU professor of English and Birke Writers Series coordinator.

"His lectures have been rescheduled, however, for mid-November," Dr. Brown said. At 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 16, Milosz will present a poetry reading with commentary in the Morris Room, Memorial Student Center, followed by a reception. At 11 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 17, in Memorial Student Center 2W22, he will informally discuss the status of poetry today.

Both events are free and open to the public.

"According to his agent," Dr. Brown said, "the Nobel Prize winning poet became ill earlier this week, asked that his speaking engagements for the rest of the month be cancelled and returned to his home in Berkeley."

Milosz is scheduled as the opening lecturer for the Birke Writers Series which will bring two other major writers to campus: Canadian novelist, poet and critic Margaret Atwood on March 20-21, and Southern novelist, short story writer and playwright Peter Taylor on April 16-17.

The Birke Writers Series is funded through the Birke Fine Arts Symposium under the Marshall Foundation and by the Arts and Humanities Division of the West Virginia Department of Culture and History.

Band festival on Saturday

Thirty-three high school bands from West Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky will compete in Marshall University's Tri-State Marching Band Festival on Saturday, Oct. 15, at Fairfield Stadium.

Competition will begin at 10 a.m. and continue throughout the day. The Marshall University Marching Band will present an exhibition at 4:45 p.m., followed by the presentation of awards.

General admission tickets to the festival will be available at $3 for adults and $1.50 for students.

Excused absences...

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

SEPT. 30-0CT. 1-MU Soccer Team
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OCT. 7- Robert C. Anton, Joseph A. Browning, Kimberly L. Harbour, Walter R. Klepaldo, Christopher Robinson and Douglas Deaton.
OCT. 7-8-MU Cross Country Team
OCT. 6-9-MU Soccer Team

Marshall community thanked

I wish to thank the members of the Marshall campus community for their kindness and sympathy at a time when it was deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,
Robert F. Godfrey
Associate Professor of Accounting

Senior Scholar Fulbright awards

Faculty members interested in Senior Scholar Fulbright Awards should contact the Graduate School Office for information.

Thought...

The reason why borrowed books are so seldom returned to their owners is that it is much easier to retain the books than what is in them.

-Montaigne