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Patricia Doykos, director of the Bristol-Myers Squibb Foundation, announced the five-year grant last week at the Appalachian Regional Commission annual conference in Prestonsburg, Ky. The grant is part of the foundation's "Together on Diabetes" program, which supports efforts to develop and expand effective patient self-management programs and to draw whole communities into the fight against type 2 diabetes.

"Type 2 diabetes is one of the United States' greatest health challenges and disproportionately affects the poor, minorities and the elderly," said Lamberto Andreotti, chief executive officer of Bristol-Myers Squibb. "Together on Diabetes' draws on the strengths of communities and supports public- and private-sector partners coming together to identify and implement disease management approaches that work for large segments of the population."

President Stephen J. Kopp was pleased with the announcement of the grant.

"Study after study has shown that we have an alarming situation with type 2 diabetes in the areas served by the Marshall University Center for Rural Health," he said. "The awarding of this five-year grant will allow us to continue to work toward effective solutions to our region's unique challenges. We appreciate the vision, collaboration and generosity of the Bristol-Myers Squibb Foundation in assisting us in our work to alleviate a pressing medical need."

Appalachia has a higher rate of diabetes than the nation as a whole, and the problem is especially acute in rural Appalachian counties classified as "distressed." A recent study showed the rate of diabetes there was more than 1.6 times the national average.

"Diabetes is such a big problem in distressed Appalachian counties in part because lifestyles have changed over the last 20 years," said Richard Crespo of Marshall, who is the project coordinator. "People have become more sedentary, leading to obesity, which is a major risk factor for diabetes. Thus the solution is in the community, not the doctor's office."

The grant will provide support for coalitions in 10 distressed counties, helping them to implement evidence-based programs that promote long-term behavior change and improve the health of people who have type 2 diabetes.

The COC and ARC will provide training, and Marshall will guide the 10 diabetes coalitions through a planning process, equip them with evidence-based programs, and provide ongoing technical assistance. Marshall also will evaluate the program, looking at the coalitions themselves, changes in their communities, and improvements in patients' diabetes health.
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Constitution Week at Marshall is an annual observance to commemorate the adoption of the United States Constitution and the contributions of Chief Justice John Marshall, for whom the university is named. Constitution Week activities, sponsored by the John Deaver Drisko Academy, started Sept. 12, and will run periodically through Thursday, Sept. 22.

"Constitution Week was started by United States Senator Robert C. Byrd in order to draw attention to the important document that our system of government is based upon," said Dr. Alan Gould, executive director of the Drisko Academy. "Included within federal legislation that was passed in 2004 was a provision requiring educational institutions that receive federal funds to set some time aside on or near the September 17th anniversary of the document's signing to study the United States Constitution."

Quoits, a game in which rings of iron are pitched at stakes much like horseshoes, was the favorite game of John Marshall, the fourth Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court.

The quoits competition began Sept. 13 with the finals on Wednesday, Sept. 14. The President's Invitational Quoits Media Challenge, featuring President Stephen J. Kopp and members of the news media, gets underway at 11:30 a.m. Sept. 14.

"The President's Quoits Media Challenge is a lot of fun," Gould said. "They take it seriously. That was never more evident than last year when the tournament was played in a steady rain. Everybody was soaked, but they had a really good time." The team of Tim Ir and Keith Morehouse from WSAZ-3 is the defending champion.

Prior to the President's Quoits Media Challenge, a large cake celebrating John Marshall's birthday will served on the Memorial Student Center plaza. President Kopp will cut the cake and the John Marshall Fife and Drum Corps will perform.

Here is a look at other Constitution Week events planned:

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4:30 p.m. - The winner of the Judge Dan O'Hanlon Constitution Week and John Marshall Celebration Essay Competition will be announced during a ceremony in the John Marshall Dining Room in the Memorial Student Center.

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2 p.m. - Judge Gordon A. Martin Jr. will be speaking about his book "Count Them One by One: Black Mississippians Fighting for the Right to Vote" in the Memorial Student Center Shawkey Room. Martin is a retired Massachusetts trial judge and former first assistant U.S. attorney, former special assistant to Sen. Edward M. Kennedy and co-author of a civil rights case book.

Martin filed the first major voting rights case in Mississippi for the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Justice Department, and "Count Them One by One" is based on that case.

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2:30 p.m. - A panel discussion titled "Openness: From the routine business of state and local government to national security issues," will take place in Room BES of the Memorial Student Center. Ed Dawson, editor and publisher of The Herald-Dispatch, will moderate the discussion.

Panelists Include:

- Tod Boettner, founding executive director of the West Virginia Center on Budget and Policy
- David Herzog, a veteran investigative reporter, data journalist and educator who has reported for The Providence Journal, The Baltimore Sun and The Morning Call in Allentown, Pa.
- Joseph Thornton, secretary of the West Virginia Department of Military Affairs and Public Safety
- Thomas Kirk, director of the Intelligence/Fusion Center as part of Homeland Security in West Virginia

"It's going to be a great program," Gould said. "We have people (on the panel) who have great credentials and perhaps different opinions. It's all about the public's right to know and what are the limitations. How open should a state government be? It's a great opportunity for people to come out and talk about these vital issues."

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Proceeds from the endowment will be used to support the Marshall Institute for Interdisciplinary Research and the Institute's collaborations with other research initiatives at the university. The donation is the largest single gift ever made by the foundation in West Virginia.

Charles Patton, president and chief operating officer for Appalachian Power, presented the donation to university representatives in a ceremony held during the third quarter of Saturday's football game with Southern Miss at the Joan C. Edwards Stadium.

"The establishment of an endowment that will ultimately help attract and keep world-class researchers in the bioscience and engineering fields is an important advancement for Marshall University and the state of West Virginia," Patton said. "We're proud to be part of this exciting venture."

President Stephen J. Kopp thanked the AEP Foundation for the contribution, saying, "The endowment that will be created as a result of this donation and the match from the state's trust fund will go a long way toward our goal of developing a self-sustaining research enterprise that will advance local and regional economic development."

Dr. Ron Area, chief executive officer of the Marshall University Foundation Inc., added, "We are most appreciative to the AEP Foundation for this generous gift. This is significant investment in research and the future of Marshall University and the entire region."

The American Electric Power Foundation, which is based in Columbus, Ohio, is funded by American Electric Power and its utility operating units.

The Marshall Institute for Interdisciplinary Research was founded in 2008 with the goal of developing a focused program of pioneering research dedicated to producing patentable scientific breakthroughs and creating new high-tech businesses based on those discoveries. The Institute is building on existing areas of research strength at Marshall and providing opportunities for collaborations with scientists already working at the university.

Photo:
Appalachian Power President and Chief Operating Officer Charles Patton, second from left, presents a check for $750,000 to Marshall President Stephen J. Kopp, third from right, during MU's football game with Southern Miss on Saturday, Sept. 10. From left are Mark Dempsey, Patton and Steve Stewart, all with Appalachian Power; Kopp, Lance West and John Maher, all with Marshall. Photo by Rick Hoey/Marshall University.
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Nerhood said McKown's contributions to the medical school were many. "His uncanny ability to almost instantaneously perceive convoluted relationships and unintended consequences of simple or complex actions has ideally suited him to be an eminently successful dean of a community-based medical school in West Virginia," he said. "I am not at all sure that this talent can again be found."

Nerhood said the genomic research facility is an outgrowth of McKown's vision and advocacy. "Dr. McKown foresaw the importance of the new field of translational research in the area of cancer care," and then worked with philanthropist Joan Edwards and U.S. Sen. Robert Byrd to turn that vision into reality, he said.

The Charles H. McKown Jr. Translational Genomic Research Institute is located on the top floor of the Edwards Comprehensive Cancer Center. Completed this summer, it includes more than 10,000 square feet of research space and has advanced scientific equipment including a "next-generation" genetic sequencer.

In addition, Nerhood also announced that the medical school has established a scholarship in McKown's honor.
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"I first fell in love with Britten's works in college and have been researching Britten since my earliest days in graduate school," Stroeher said. "Being invited to present at this conference dedicated to his work is both an honor and a confirmation of my research efforts. I am humbled by it, but also excited about the opportunity to share my work with other Britten scholars."

Stroeher received her Ph.D. in musicology in 1994 from the University of North Texas. Her dissertation was titled "Form and Meaning in Benjamin Britten's Sonnet Cycles." She received a bachelor's degree in music history and a bachelor's in music education from Southwestern University in Georgetown, Texas, in 1981, and pursued additional studies at Indiana University and Goldsmith's College, University of London.

Additionally, Stroeher is in residence at the Britten-Pears Library in Aldeburgh, England, for the month of September, working on transcribing and editing a volume of correspondence between Britten and his recital partner Peter Pears, with two colleagues from the Britten-Pears Library, Lucy Walker and Jude Brimmer.

Stroeher is married to Dr. Michael Stroeher, professor of trombone and euphonium at Marshall.
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Hardman said that during the study period, the group whose diet included walnut at both stages developed breast cancer at less than half the rate of the group with the typical diet. In addition, the number of tumors and their sizes were significantly smaller.

"These reductions are particularly important when you consider that the mice were genetically programmed to develop cancer at a high rate," Hardman said. "We were able to reduce the risk for cancer even in the presence of a preexisting genetic mutation."

The paper notes that dietary modification studies do not show whether benefits result from what is added to a diet or what is removed. In this case, adding healthy fat and other components meant that unhealthy fat was reduced to keep total dietary fat balanced in the mice. Hardman said other studies have clearly shown, however, that multiple ingredients in walnuts reduce the risk of cancer or slow its growth.

Using genetic analysis, the Marshall study found that the walnut-containing diet changed the activity of multiple genes that are relevant to breast cancer in both mice and humans. Other testing showed that increases in omega 3 fatty acids did not fully account for the anti-cancer effect, and found that tumor growth decreased when dietary vitamin E increased.

Hardman said the findings highlight the vital role diet plays in health.

"Food is important medicine in our diet," she said. "What we put into our bodies makes a big difference - it determines how the body functions, our reaction to illness and health. The simple stuff really works: eat right, get off the couch, and turn off the TV.

"The results of this study indicate that increased consumption of walnut could be part of a healthy diet and reduce risk for cancer in future generations," she said.

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"This was an exciting book to work on, especially because Dr. Boyd and I have discussed, researched and taught about many of these issues for years," Lassiter said. "Several of the essays are classic anthropological essays, but most are contemporary writings that students will enjoy reading."

Lassiter says the idea for the book was an outgrowth of one of his previous books, "Invitation to Anthropology," which Boyd uses in her anthropology courses at Ball State.

"Dr. Lassiter is one of our most prolific faculty," noted Dr. David J. Pittenger, dean of the College of Liberal Arts. "We are proud that he is a member of our college for the depth of insight he brings to his courses."


For more information contact Lassiter at ext. 6-1923.

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Series Coordinator Prof. Art Stringer calls this fall’s calendar “our most ambitious yet.” The five events will offer a rich variety of fiction and poetry.

Poets Carrie Geising and Kent Shaw kick off the series at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 28, in Corbly Hall 105. Geising’s first book, Our List of Solutions, won the Lester Wolfson Prize and is the premiere book of a new poetry series out of Indiana University South Bend. She currently teaches writing at Marshall.

Shaw is the author of Calenture, published by University of Tampa Press in 2008. It is a lyric meditation on his experience in the Navy. He currently teaches at West Virginia State University.

Craig Johnson will appear at 8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 17, in the Francis-Booth Experimental Theatre, located inside the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center. He is the author of seven novels. The Dark Horse received starred reviews from Kirkus, Booklist, Publishers Weekly and Library Journal, and was named one of Publisher’s Weekly’s best books of 2009. Junkyard Dogs and Hell Is Empty were recently released by Viking.

A television series based on Johnson’s protagonist, Wyoming sheriff Walt Longmire, is in development with A&E. He will be on campus as part of several events sponsored by the College of Fine Arts. He has served as a board member of the Mystery Writers of America and lives in Ucros, Wyo., population 25.

Poets Chad Davidson and Greg Fraser read together at 8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 24, in the Shawkey Room of the Memorial Student Center. Davidson is the author of The Last Predicta, winner of the 2008 Crab Orchard Prize in Poetry. He co-edited with Fraser the popular textbook Writing Poetry: Creative and Critical Approaches to Writing (Palgrave Macmillan, 2009).

Fraser is the author of two books of poems, Answering the Ruins (Northwestern University Press) and Strange Pletà (Texas Tech University Press). Both teach writing at the University of West Georgia.

National Book Critics Circle Award nominee M. Glenn Taylor will read in the Shawkey Room at 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3. Taylor is the author of two novels, most recently The Marrowbone Marble Company. His first novel, The Ballad of Trenchmouth Taggart, also published by Ecco Press, has received a wealth of critical attention and praise. It prominently features Huntington locations in much of its action. Taylor teaches English and fiction writing at West Virginia University.

And, at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 1, in the Drinko Library Atrium, An Evening with the MU Creative Writing Faculty will feature a sampling of new work.

Visiting Writers Series readings are free and open to the public. The series is supported by the Marshall English Department, the College of Liberal Arts, the College of Fine Arts, the Marshall Foundation, the law firm of Jenkins-Fenstermaker and the West Virginia Humanities Council.

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For more information view the invitation flyer, sponsor form, and registration form.

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Dr. James L. Marshall and Virginia "Jenny" R. Marshall will present "Rediscovery of the Elements," a lecture based on their travels to old laboratories, mines, ancient buildings and houses where they found original elemental discovery sites. Most of the sites are located in Europe. The two researchers have been active in their "Rediscovery of the Elements" project since they married in 1998. Their research culminated in 2010 with publication of their 10 years of discovery.

Dr. James Marshall received his Ph.D. in 1967 in organic chemistry from Ohio State University and has served as a professor at the University of North Texas in Denton for more than 30 years. Jenny Marshall received her M.Ed. with a specialty in computer science in 1985 from Texas Woman’s University. She taught public school for 23 years in Texas.

Light refreshments will be served prior to the lecture, which is open to the public.

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Palton has won first place in several solo competitions, including the Susan Slaughter International Solo Tuba Competition (2010), the International Tuba Euphonium Conference Tuba Artist Competition (2006), the Bowling Green State University Competition in Music Performance (2002) and the National Federation of Music Clubs Orchestral Brass Solo Competition (2001), along with second place at the Susan Slaughter International Solo Brass Competition (2010), and the Potomac Festival Tuba Virtuoso Competition (2006).

He is sought after as a performer and clinician both regionally and throughout the country. He performed at the 2008 International Tuba Euphonium Conference where his premiered Azucarí by Alice Gomez. He also has given solo performances at the 2011 South-East Regional Tuba Euphonium Conference, the 2007 Mid-West Regional and North-East Regional Tuba Euphonium Conferences, and the 2006 Phi Mu Alpha National Convention.

Admission is free and open to the public. For further information about this concert or music at Marshall University, please call 304-696-3117 or email Palton at palton@marshall.edu.
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"Fan comments to Athletics and a survey of Big Green membership indicated that fans wanted to wear colors that matched their football and basketball teams," Turner said. "So MU has allowed clothing and apparel manufacturers to offer MU items in Kelly green to coincide with the teams' uniform colors.

The MU logo (even that embroidered on the new Kelly green apparel) and official school color remain Pantone 357. Any official color change would require Board of Governors approval, Turner said.

Marshall University employees and students are encouraged to participate in Green Fridays to show their pride on campus throughout the football season.

In addition, employees of local businesses may take part in a contest in which they wear their Marshall gear and have the opportunity to win prizes from the university. Any businesses wanting to participate must register with Jarrell to be eligible to win. Businesses may register at www.marshall.edu/greenfridays.

Businesses need to submit their location and the number of participating employees. A winner will be chosen every Friday before a home football game throughout football season. Because Marshall’s final game of the regular season with East Carolina is on Saturday, Nov. 26 (Thanksgiving weekend), that winner will be chosen Friday, Nov. 18.

For more information, contact Jarrell at 304-696-3490 or by e-mail at haye1@marshall.edu.