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Gilley says imagination, unity Marshall keys

Following is the text of the State of the University address delivered by President J. Wade Gilley at Thursday's general faculty meeting:

On the anniversary of my first State of the University address I can report one accomplishment to you with a great deal of confidence: I have learned a lot during this past year!

The most important thing I have learned is that here at Marshall University and in Huntington we are limited by only two factors--our imagination and our willingness to work together for a common goal.

Certainly we have some resource needs. It's obvious

we need better salaries and we need more equitable salaries. We need a few new programs in order for Marshall University to meet the challenges of the 21st Century.

Most of all, however, we need new ideas, new ways of doing things--and we need a unity of purpose. If we can realize those, we can move Marshall into a whole new league of American universities.

The basics are here. The foundation is strong. We have a long, rich tradition of service to West Virginia worthy

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Drinko professor to make presentations

Dr. Maurice Harmon, emeritus professor of Anglo-Irish literature and drama at University College Dublin (Ireland), is occupying Marshall University's John Deaver and Elizabeth G. Drinko Distinguished Chair in Liberal Arts during the fall semester, according to Dr. Alan B. Gould, vice president for academic affairs at Marshall.

Considered one of the world's leading scholars of Irish and Anglo-Irish literature, Harmon will teach classes in modern Irish literature and poetry and present three public lectures.

He will make public presentations on Wednesday, Sept. 23, at 3:30 p.m. in the Alumni Lounge in Memorial

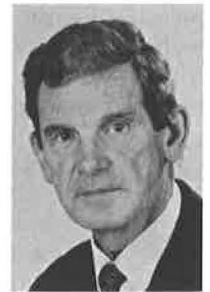
Student Center, on Thursday, Oct. 15, at 7 p.m. at the Huntington Museum of Art and on Friday, Nov. 13, at the annual meeting of the West Virginia Association of College English Teachers at North Bend State Park.

Harmon received bachelor's and master's degrees from University College Dublin and received a master's degree in comparative literature from Harvard University in 1957 and a doctorate in English language and literature from the National University of Ireland in 1961.

Prior to accepting a position at University College Dublin, he taught at Lewis and Clark College in Portland, Ore., and the University of Notre Dame.

He has lectured at colleges and universities throughout the United States and Europe and served as a visiting professor at Ohio State University, the University of Washington, the University of Massachusetts and the Catholic University of America.

Harmon has received awards from the Ford Foundation, the American Philosophical Society, Harvard



Harmon

Black history program to be held Sept. 25-26

The fifth annual West Virginia Black History Conference will be held at Marshall University on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 25-26, in Memorial Student Center.

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

"We will have programs on influential and successful blacks in West Virginia, community builders, black history projects and other topics that should be of interest to a wide range of people," said Blue.

Dr. Emma Lapsansky, professor of history and curator of collections at Haverford (Pa.) College, will be the keynote speaker for the conference. She will make a

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Lapsansky

MU Senate will meet

Marshall University's Faculty Senate will meet Thursday, Sept. 24, at 4 p.m. in the lounge on the eighth floor of Smith Hall, according to Dr. Robert Sawrey, Faculty Senate president.

The agenda will include: Approval of minutes; presidential action on senate recommendations of 4/23/92 and introduction of newly elected senators; presidential remarks; election of COFA representative to the EC; standing committee and other recommendations; ACF report; agenda requests for future meetings.

Gilley delivers 'State of University' address

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of the John Marshall name we bear. We are the university of choice for West Virginians. And in more ways than one, we are West Virginia's First University.

We enjoy a campus that is perhaps the most beautiful in West Virginia, the most compact and the most accessible. Our new facilities for theatre, for science, for the H.E.L.P. program, and for athletics place this university on the cutting edge in many respects.

The Marshall faculty and staff are of high quality--and are stable, dedicated and loyal. It's been that way for many years and this tradition continues to bridge generations of students. It's one of our greatest assets.

Marshall has a strong support base: More than 40,000 alumni and spouses in West Virginia; more than 25,000 students, parents and spouses; hundreds of corporate, civic and political supporters. All in all, more than 75,000 potential voters in West Virginia are interested--or should be interested--in the future of this university. That includes more than 20 members of the Legislature.

Marshall's graduate and professional offerings have never been stronger. The medical school is a pioneer--and it has given new direction, new definition to medical education in West Virginia as a result of its emphasis on rural health care. We have led, and now others are trying to follow.

Further, during the past year the Graduate Committee, in conjunction with the colleges, conducted a thorough review of our master's degree offerings. After developing a plan to eliminate or consolidate 11 programs into two, we now have 32 quality and focused master's degree programs. And last January, in a historic development, the Board of Trustees approved our first Ph.D. program--in Biomedical Sciences.

Much remains to be done, but we have taken the first steps to restructure the university to reduce middle management and to transfer resources to the teaching of students. We have raised our non-resident tuition to a level at which out-of-state students are paying the full costs of their education at Marshall. Those two factors, taken together, ensure that more of our dollars from the state of West Virginia go directly to the teaching of West Virginians. When the HEAT team came to our campus on August 25, we were able to look them squarely in the eye and declare: "Our house is in order; our state resources are well used here."

In many respects, Marshall is not unlike other American universities. The university is one of our nation's greatest resources, one of the few American institutions which is still respected throughout the world. And, like Marshall, all of America's universities are at a crossroads. The forces driving the nation's economy are changing dramatically and the world is growing smaller through electronics, satellites and jet planes. We are part of a world economy and America and her institutions--all of them--are being challenged as never before.

There is no question that the end of this transition period--from one era to another--will bring about a whole new order. Some will win and some will lose. This includes nations, states, cities and, yes, universities.

Some will emerge as leaders; others will fall by the wayside, unable or unwilling to compete.

The question is, which path shall we choose for Marshall University?

In times of great change--and this is one of those times--those individuals and institutions which "have it together," are proactive and are enormously productive will emerge as leaders in the new order. I am convinced that Marshall University can emerge from this transitional period not only stronger but a more powerful force to be reckoned with in West Virginia and, indeed, a real player on the national scene. If we choose to do so, we can take a quantum leap into an entire new orbit of American universities.

To accomplish this during this decade we must do several things.

First, we must ensure that we are the most productive, cost effective institution in West Virginia. To achieve this goal in fact as well as in perception will result in Marshall being known as one of the best managed universities in the country.

We must have focus and direction through a continuous, unrelenting drive toward internal coherence. And we must, over time, reshape our curriculum and academic programs to guarantee that our students--our graduates--are educated not only to meet the changing demands of the 21st Century world, but also the needs of a challenged and changing West Virginia.

There is no doubt in my mind but that we hold our future in our own hands. We **can be** the best managed institution in the nation if we choose to be. We **can bring** coherence to our curriculum and programs if we choose to. We **can focus** more and more of our resources on educating students and less and less on bureaucracy and nonessential activities if we choose to. We **can be** the state's leading example of social justice at work. We **can become** a strongly unified and mutually supporting institution if only we choose to.

I am convinced we can gain the state support we need by earning the respect of legislators and others. I use the words EARN and RESPECT for two reasons. First, we can lead the way in education in West Virginia by being enormously productive--which we are--and by providing the greatest return on the dollars invested by the Legislature and by benefactors.

My own experience leads me to believe that asking others to invest in a productive organization is far more effective than simply begging for resources because of a degree of poverty. In the history of the world, those seeking resources based on relief have, at best, gotten only crumbs. Investment in a productive future is the one and only reason legislators and benefactors alike will increase our funding.

As I said at the outset of this talk, our only limitations are our imagination and our unity of purpose. I can sense a real entrepreneurial spirit stirring at Marshall University. People have ideas. People want to do things differently. People want to plow new ground. People are ready to move, to get on with it. It is our challenge to unleash

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those talents and ambitions by being more flexible, more supportive. And we can do it.

But to do so we must have a sense of destiny and, perhaps first, a sense of unity of purpose. This willingness to work together for a common goal is absolutely essential.

To quote John Fitzgerald Kennedy, "A rising tide will raise every boat."

We must not look at our future as one which is diminishing but rather as one which is expanding. We must see each other as part of the whole. We must realize that when one of us is strengthened, we are all strengthened.

For example, the College of Fine Arts recently was blessed with a very significant gift from Mrs. Joan C. Edwards. This gift, in turn, has stimulated others to pitch in and help. We are now, in fact, in some ways for the first time. Some support the fine arts; others will assist other programs--all in response to the example set by Mrs. Edwards.

Further, the October 3 Arts Gala will add tens of thousands of dollars to the **Endowment for the Arts**. The money really started to pour in after the announcement of the Edwards gift. So, not only was that gift very generous, but its timeliness will result in a higher level of enthusiasm for the Gala--and more funds for the arts at Marshall University in both the short and long terms.

We should all rejoice for the College of Fine Arts because, as it is strengthened, we are all strengthened.

As you are aware, we have directed a considerable amount of resources toward the College of Business. A weak organization and program there represent a problem for all of us. A stronger college will strengthen the entire university. We should view the efforts in the College of Business as the first in a parade of enhanced efforts, with the rest of us to follow in turn. And it certainly appears the College of Fine Arts is taking its turn.

I am confident that if we all rejoice in the good fortune of these two colleges--Business and Fine Arts--others will be taking their turn sooner than any of us might have guessed.

I am absolutely convinced that the only way Marshall University will enjoy new levels of excellence and service to West Virginia is through the competitive edge a public institution anywhere must secure through corporate, foundation and individual gifts. And those benefactors must believe they are making an investment in the future.

Sure, we should--and do--expect the Legislature to provide better funding for our basic operations--better salaries, better support--but you and I know there is a definite limit on the amount a relatively poor state such as West Virginia can devote to any purpose. At the same time, let me say I am convinced we can earn a higher level of legislative support this year.

But returning to my thesis, let me repeat that the future of Marshall University is in the hands of the Marshall community--our hands. If we can use our imaginations, if we can achieve a new sense of unity of purpose--a pull-

ing together in a common direction--then there is no practical, real limit on our future.

Here, in Huntington and in West Virginia, there are private investors--corporations, foundations and individuals--with the resources to catapult Marshall into a new class of American university. And if that happens during the next decade, the Tri-State Area and all of southern West Virginia will start down the road toward an exciting and promising future in the new economic era. This university can--and will--be a positive, transforming force.

It all starts right here with the development of a new sense of unity of purpose. It must start with the faculty and administration and spread through the staff, the students, the alumni, the greater Huntington community and all who have a vested interest in seeing this university move forward. That includes all West Virginians.

Let us begin by being pleased and appreciative when one of us prospers, by giving each other the benefit of the doubt and by believing together in a bright future. Once we do that, our problems will diminish in comparison to our successes--and success begets success.

As you have heard me say before, my wife, Nan, and I have journeyed to West Virginia to live and work on three separate occasions during the past 30 years. Never before have I been so optimistic about the state's future as I am today. We love being at Marshall University and living in Huntington. Here we see the prospect for a future of progress unparalleled in this century.

The future is ours to shape with our unity of purpose, our support for each other and our imagination.

Marshall can be as good a university as the people of Marshall and Huntington want it to be. The only question is, will we be able to pull together and do the job.

I, for one, am confident we can--and will!

Harmon to give lectures

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University, Notre Dame University, University College Dublin, the British Academy, the Royal Irish Academy and the National University of Ireland. He was elected to the Royal Irish Academy in 1976.

He has written or edited 21 books and published 32 articles in books or periodicals. He also edits two journals and serves as an officer in five different scholarly organizations.

"Marshall University is very fortunate to have such a distinguished scholar and professor on campus during the fall semester," said Gould. "I am sure our students and faculty will benefit from his visit."

The university's distinguished liberal arts chair was made possible through a \$1 million contribution from Marshall alumnus John Deaver Drinko and his wife, Elizabeth, who reside in Lyndhurst, Ohio, and Palm Springs, Calif.

A native of St. Marys, W.Va., Drinko is senior managing partner of Baker and Hostetler, one of the nation's largest law firms, headquartered in Cleveland.

Conference focuses on black history

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presentation titled "New Periods, New Dreams, New Hopes: Black History and America's Future" at 9 a.m. in the W. Don Morris Room in Memorial Student Center.

Lapsansky received her bachelor's degree in American history and her master's and doctoral degrees in American civilization from the University of Pennsylvania. She has lectured at Princeton University and served on the faculties at the University of Pennsylvania, Temple University, the Community College of Philadelphia and Moore College of Art.

She has had a number of papers dealing with black history published in journals and has made numerous presentations for conferences, workshops and seminars. She also is active in several professional and community organizations.

Lapsansky's presentation will be followed at 10 a.m. by a session titled "A History of Lakin State Hospital"

ISEP to be discussed

The International Student Exchange Program is seeking students interested in studying abroad during the 1993-94 academic year, according to Dr. Clair W. Matz, director of Marshall University's Center for International Studies.

Dr. Michael Strada, professor of political science at West Liberty State College and West Virginia University, will visit the Marshall campus Wednesday, Sept. 23, to explain the International Student Exchange Program. He will hold a brown-bag information session for interested students from noon to 1 p.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2W37.

To obtain further details contact Marshall University's Center for International Studies, 696-2465.

Facility premiere planned

"The Barretts of Wimpole Street" will be the first production in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse in Marshall University's new Fine and Performing Arts Center.

The play by Rudolf Besier will be presented at 8 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, Sept. 23-26.

Tickets will be \$6 for general admission and \$5 for senior citizens. Tickets may be obtained at the box office on the first floor of the Fine and Performing Arts Center or by calling 696-2787.

Letter of appreciation

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

A special thank you and appreciation for all the beautiful cards and flowers that I received during my recovery from surgery.

Sincerely,
Nancy M. Davis
Payroll Department

by Dr. Elizabeth Brown, chairwoman of the Psychology Department at West Virginia State College.

Adolphus Young of Welch, rehabilitation counselor for the West Virginia Division of Rehabilitation Services, will discuss "The Black Presence in Keystone" at 11 a.m.

Following lunch, a session titled "Slaves/Free Blacks in Selected Western Virginia Counties, 1800-1860" will be presented by Roland Sevy, professor of history at West Virginia State College.

"Litigation Regarding the Status of Blacks in West Virginia" will be presented at 3 p.m. by Woodrow Berry, assistant professor of finance and business law at Marshall University.

Dinner will be held at 6 p.m. in Memorial Student Center. Dr. Lois H. Blackburn, associate professor of music at the Lionel Hampton School of Music at the University of Idaho and former Marshall University faculty member, will give a dinner address titled "One More Concert: The Story of Revella Hughes."

Retired Army Brigadier General Dallas C. Brown Jr., currently serving as an associate professor of history at West Virginia State College, will open Saturday's program with a presentation titled "West Virginia Blacks and the Military" at 9 a.m. in Memorial Student Center.

"The African American Community in Jefferson County" will be the topic of a presentation by Hannah N. Geffert, adjunct professor of history and political science at Shepherd College, at 10 a.m.

At 11 a.m., Dr. C. Robert Barnett, professor of health, physical education and recreation at Marshall, and Dr. Dana Brooks, professor of physical education at West Virginia University, will make a presentation titled "Black Athletes in West Virginia."

"Work in Progress: The Logan County Black History Project" will be presented at 11:45 a.m. by Belle Zars, extension agent with the West Virginia University Extension Service, and Karen Pearson, project coordinator.

The conference activities will end with lunch at 12:30 p.m. and a presentation titled "Hilltop House in Harpers Ferry" by James Fisher, a member of the Carter G. Woodson Association in Charles Town.

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.

To obtain further details contact Blue at Marshall University, 696-5430.

Library orientation set

Marshall University's James E. Morrow Library will hold a library orientation program for new faculty, teaching assistants and graduate assistants on Thursday, Sept. 24, from 3 to 4 p.m.

Interested persons should meet in Library Science Classroom 61 (ground level) for distribution of general library information, according to Josephine Fidler, director of libraries.

Tours of MU libraries will be provided.

To obtain further details contact Tim Balch, head of public services, 696-2335.

MU Foundation receives \$5,363,995 during year

The Marshall University Foundation Inc. received a total of \$5,363,995 in gifts during the 1991-92 fiscal year that ended June 30.

Dr. Edward G. "Ned" Boehm Jr., Marshall vice president for institutional advancement who also serves as executive director of the Foundation, presented a year-end report during the Foundation's annual business meeting on Sept. 15.

"We had a good year," Boehm said. "The capital campaign ended four months early and \$1.3 million above our \$10 million goal and the annual fund drive increased 75 percent, from \$304,635 to \$531,488.

"We're especially pleased that we had 1,283 new donors demonstrating a commitment to Marshall University," Boehm said.

The Foundation received \$1.7 million from estates. Businesses and industries contributed \$929,648 and foundations donated \$889,144. Other groups and their amounts donated were: alumni, \$654,377; Marshall friends, \$594,109; Marshall Foundation members, \$260,728; clubs and organizations, \$45,554; faculty and staff, \$33,320, and parents, \$19,667. The Foundation also received \$258,806 from trusts.

The overall gift size was \$865. For alumni donors, the average gift was \$137.

Of the total 6,201 gifts, 4,782 were from alumni. The Marshall Class of 1942 had the highest donor rate, with nearly 22 percent of its members making a gift to the Foundation.

Boehm said Foundation assets reached \$27,405,124 and the endowment grew to \$21,621,075. The Foundation allocated \$627,680 for University's Greatest Needs projects.

Photographs on display

"Love, Death and Politics," an exhibition of photographs by Robert Rowe, will be on display in Birke Art Gallery Sept. 19 through Oct. 8.

A member of Marshall's Art Department faculty, Rowe took the photographs during his travels through eight countries while on sabbatical last year.

Rowe will discuss the collection which includes images of Morocco, Spain, Portugal, Italy, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Hungary and the United States on Monday, Sept. 21, at 7:30 p.m. in the gallery. The exhibition and Rowe's presentation will be open to the public free of charge.

Personnel personal...

Jane F. Wells, associate professor of English, and Lomax Easley Breckinridge of Fincastle, Va., were married May 23 in Fincastle.

He is an alumnus of Washington and Lee University and is retired from the United States Postal Service.

They will maintain residences in Huntington and Fincastle until her retirement, planned for next year.



Three major contributors to the arts at Marshall practice their ribbon-snipping techniques prior to the formal dedication of the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse and the Francis-Booth Experimental Theatre in Marshall's Fine and Performing Arts Center Sept. 5. Mrs. Edwards, left, contributed \$1 million to establish an endowment for the arts. Alex E. and Permele Francis Booth made a significant donation toward the construction of the experimental theatre.

Queen funds available

Marshall University's Faculty Development Committee is accepting applications for grants from the Queen Endowment for Faculty Development, according to Steve Shuklian, committee secretary.

The Queen Endowment has \$2,000 to help faculty members attend conferences, workshops and seminars that will help enhance research, teaching and technical skills.

Funds are to be used to help faculty members attend meetings for the purpose of learning rather than for the presentation of papers. Funds cannot be used to obtain equipment or advanced degrees.

All faculty members are eligible for funding. Awards will be limited to \$400 per year on a competitive basis.

Application forms are available from Stephanie Neal in the Faculty Senate Office, Northcott Hall Room 209A (696-4376). Completed applications should be sent by Oct. 12 to Donald Hall, Human Development and Allied Technology, Harris Hall Room 436.

To obtain further details contact Pamela Gardner, 696-2980, or college representatives to the Faculty Development Committee.

'Panic' will be topic

A videoconference titled "Panic Disorder--A Quality of Life Issue" will be held at Marshall University on Thursday, Sept. 24, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in Memorial Student Center John Spotts Room.

Marshall University faculty and staff are invited to attend the program free of charge, according to Gail Sheets of Marshall's Office of Instructional Television Services. To obtain details contact Sheets, 696-2970.

Activities scheduled for MU parents

The Marshall University Parents' Association and the MU Department of Student Affairs will hold Parents' Weekend 1992 on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 9-11, according to Dr. Nell C. Bailey, vice president/dean of student affairs.

Highlights of the weekend will include a Friday evening reception hosted by MU President and Mrs. J. Wade Gilley at their home, University Place.

Following the reception, Marshall's Higher Education for Learning Program (H.E.L.P.) will hold its annual talent show and "Comedy Night" will be featured in Marco's in Memorial Student Center.

Saturday's events will begin with the annual President's Forum and Brunch hosted by the Parents' Association board of directors in Memorial Student Center.

Nursing conference set

The Marshall University School of Nursing honor society, Nu Alpha chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, and the Veterans Administration Medical Center will sponsor a one-day research conference for nurses beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 3, in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge.

Vernice Ferguson, assistant chief medical director for nursing programs and director of nursing service for the United States Department of Veterans Affairs will be the keynote speaker.

Ferguson is a nationally known nurse researcher and a past president of Sigma Theta Tau, International, according to Dr. Jane C. Fotos of Marshall's School of Nursing.

Nurses scheduled to present research papers during the conference include Barbara Kiernan, Roberta Messner, Sheila Kyle, Cathy Callicot, Andrea Watson and Susan Lewis.

Participants will receive continuing education credit from the American Nurses Association for attending the conference.

The registration deadline will be Sept. 25. There will be a \$30 registration fee for the conference which includes lunch.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University School of Nursing, 696-2636.

'Foreign Affair' slated

"My Foreign Affair," the sixth annual reception for students, faculty and staff who traveled abroad last year will be held Tuesday, Sept. 22, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Shawkey Room in Memorial Student Center.

Dr. Clair W. Matz, director of the Center for International Studies, said, "This event is for people to get together and share travel stories. It also is for people who have not yet traveled abroad but hope to do so in the future. It is a drop in, drop out event where we can get to hear everyone's travel abroad experiences."

To obtain further details contact Matz at the Center for International Studies, 696-5421.

Betsy and Luther "Woody" Ehret of Parkersburg serve as co-presidents of the board of directors.

During the brunch, students and their parents or guardians will have the opportunity to talk with various university administrators and faculty and obtain information pertaining to Marshall's future. Open houses, campus tours and other activities will take place immediately following the brunch and continue throughout the afternoon.

Parents and students will attend Marshall's football game with Furman University at 7 p.m. All parents and guardians will be honored during halftime ceremonies at the game.

According to Steve and Alice Lamb of Huntington, co-vice presidents of the Parents' Association and co-chairs of the Weekend Committee, the Big Green Scholarship Club has invited all visitors on campus for Parents' Weekend to attend a reception prior to the start of the game in the Big Green Room of the new stadium.

The weekend's activities will end Sunday morning with a continental breakfast and ecumenical church service hosted by the staff of the Campus Christian Center.

Bailey would like to encourage all parents and guardians of Marshall University students to participate in the annual event. She said organizers are hoping that more than 400 students and parents take part in the activities.

Persons interested in attending Parents' Weekend 1992 can obtain further details and registration materials by contacting the Office of Student Affairs, 696-6422.

ODK nominations sought

Marshall University faculty and staff members should have received nomination forms for the 1992-93 class of initiates for Marshall's chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa national leadership honorary, according to Reg Spencer, ODK faculty secretary.

Faculty and staff who did not receive nomination forms can obtain the necessary forms by contacting Spencer at the MU Placement Services Office, 696-2250. Nominations must be submitted by Friday, Oct. 2.

Other ODK officers and advisers for the coming year are: Keith Sarver, president; Laura Clay, vice president; Mike Belcher, secretary; Melinda Foster, historian, and Dr. Joan Mead, faculty adviser.

Quartet will perform

The first of four concerts at Marshall University by the Montclair String Quartet of the West Virginia Symphony will be presented Wednesday, Sept. 23, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

Tickets will be \$5 for Marshall faculty, staff and public school teachers, \$8 for adults and \$2 for students.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Department of Music, 696-3117.