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In 2005, Keller won the Pulitzer Prize for her three-part series on a 10-second tornado that ripped through Utica, Ill. The Pulitzer Board described Keller's account of the tornado, which was published in December 2004, as "gripping" and "meticulously constructed."

"I'm so pleased to be returning to Marshall to deliver the commencement address to the class of 2011," Keller said. "I grew up in Huntington and my father taught mathematics at Marshall, and my fondest childhood memory is accompanying him to Marshall basketball games, where he kept statistics for the team. To my infinite delight, I was allowed to sit next to him at the press table in Memorial Field House. It made me feel extraordinarily special - just as does the invitation to speak to this year's Marshall graduates."

Marshall President Stephen J. Kopp said the university is honored to welcome back a distinguished alumna whose achievements have been recognized at the highest level.

"Julia Keller is a very distinguished and accomplished daughter of Marshall. Her dedication to excellence is clearly evident in her award-winning works. As a symbol of the principles for which Marshall University stands, Julia embodies the pride and determination that is Marshall University," Kopp said. "She is a gifted communicator, as our graduates will witness during our upcoming commencement ceremony. I look forward to welcoming Julia back to Marshall and to hearing her inspiring message to our graduates."

Keller was a Nieman Fellow at Harvard University. In 2006, she served as McGraw Professor of Writing at Princeton University. She has also taught writing and literature at Ohio State, the University of Notre Dame and the University of Chicago. She was awarded an honorary doctorate from Dominican University.
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Here is a look at the awards and the winners:

**Charles E. Hedrick Outstanding Faculty Award**

This award recognizes a full-time faculty member who has a minimum of seven years teaching experience at Marshall and has a record of outstanding classroom teaching, scholarship, research and creative activities.

Jamie Warner has been at Marshall since 2002, when she was hired as an assistant professor of political science. In 2004, she was awarded both the Pickens-Queen and College of Liberal Arts Outstanding Teaching Awards. Before coming to Marshall, she was a visiting assistant professor of political science at the University of the South (Sewanee) from 2001 to 2002.

Warner received her B.A. from Millersville University in 1991, her M.A. from Penn State University in 1995 and her Ph.D. in political science with a minor in women's studies from Penn State in 2001.

“Creating an environment where students feel free to open up and think in ways foreign to their usual modes of thought is the major goal in every class I teach, even, perhaps especially, if we are covering very conventional material,” Warner said when describing her teaching philosophy. “I believe that a critical, self-reflective attitude is crucial to every student’s ability to make a difference in the world, regardless of major or career choice.”

Dr. Marybeth Beller, chair of the Department of Political Science, said Warner is an exceptional colleague whose work sets an important benchmark for faculty at Marshall University.

“Few faculty members can claim without hesitation to have excellence performance ratings in teaching, service and scholarship,” Beller said, “I am so proud that my colleague in the Department of Political Science, Dr. Jamie Warner, is one such member of the faculty.”

At Marshall, Warner has held the position of associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts, taught many honors seminars, and served on countless university, college, and department committees.

Dr. Susan Gilpin, associate dean of Marshall’s honors college, nominated Warner for the Hedrick award.

“Dr. Warner has produced a record of achievement in scholarship, teaching and service that more nearly resembles that of one many years her senior,” Gilpin said. In describing Warner’s classroom presence, Gilpin said she is “dynamic and her standards are high.”

Dr. Wendy Williams, an associate professor in the Department of Psychology, also nominated Warner. She said she has known Warner for five years in her capacity as a teacher, researcher and Marshall University community member.

“Let me say clearly and frankly that Jamie is one of the most Intelligent scholars that I have had the pleasure to know,” Williams said. “Personally, I strive to meet the same level of excellence that Jamie models.”

**Marshall & Shirley Reynolds Outstanding Teacher Award**

This award includes a $3,000 stipend, and all full-time faculty members who have completed six or more years of service at Marshall are eligible.

Dan Hollis makes it clear to his Journalism students that he cares about them and wants them to succeed. In fact, Burns Morris, the Carter G. Woodson Professor of Journalism and Mass Communications, and Dr. Chris Swindell, a Journalism professor, both of whom nominated Hollis for the Reynolds award, describe him as “the student’s best friend.”
"He challenges good students and cajoles the not-so-good into believing they can become better," Morris and Swindell said in their nomination. "Students of all stripes crowd into his small office—sometimes for additional learning, other times for moral support. His former students simply hang out there. Dan generously bestows words of wisdom, and they learn."

Hollis has been at Marshall since August 1999 when he was hired as an assistant professor. He was promoted to associate professor in 2003. He said he wants his students to live lives of passion filled with an appreciation of learning and dedicated to quality.

"I always tell students I have the best job in the world," Hollis said. "I love what I do and I can't wait to go to work in the morning. The first day of school is my favorite day of the year surpassing Christmas and my birthday. I want my students to see that, feel that, live that."

Hollis received his B.S. degree from the University of Southern Indiana in 1983, and his M.A. from the University of Kentucky in 1997. He has won numerous awards at Marshall, including the National Broadcasting Society "First Place" Video News Award for the past five years and seven of the past eight years. He said he loves doing creative work in the form of television feature stories.

"I love combining great video with great writing and great sound, and the 'packages' as we call them in the business give me unique opportunities for student discussion and interaction," Hollis said.

Pickens-Queen Excellence in Teaching Award

Each of these three award winners receives a $1,000 stipend. The award honors outstanding junior faculty. All faculty members teaching on a full-time, tenure or tenure track appointment who are at the instructor or assistant professor rank and who have completed one to five years of service at Marshall are eligible.

Dr. April Fugett-Fuller has cultivated a reputation among students of being both tough and fair, according to Dr. Wendy Williams, who nominated her for the Pickens-Queen award.

"She teaches a lot of statistics courses, which are required for our majors who are generally not excited about taking these courses, yet she still maintains high teaching evaluations," Williams said of Fugett-Fuller.

Elijah A. Wise was a student of Fugett-Fuller's at Marshall.

"Dr. Fugett-Fuller is the best instructor I have had during my tenure at Marshall University," Wise said. "But more importantly, she has been a fantastic mentor who, time and time again, has gone out of her way to assist me. She constantly pushes me to succeed and displays a steadfast confidence in my potential as a student and researcher."

Fugett-Fuller has been at Marshall for three years. In addition to teaching, she is the faculty advisor for Psi Chi (the psychology honorary society) and the Undergraduate Psychology Program Coordinator.

"Central to my teaching philosophy is to provide a dynamic learning experience for the students as a whole, and to set them up as lifelong learners," Fugett-Fuller said.

Fugett-Fuller received her B.A. in psychology from Morehead State University in 2002, her M.A. in experimental psychology from Morehead in 2004 and her Ph.D. in cognitive psychology from the University of Kansas in 2008.

Marthea Barnes, who has been at Marshall since fall 2007, says teaching visual art is her true passion. She said she knows that her role as a teacher can have a tremendous impact on the direction of her students' lives.

"We serve not only as a teacher, but as a mentor and advisor," she said. "At Marshall, I have the opportunity to serve in each of these roles."

Barnes is committed to advancing arts education not only in the classroom, but in the community as well. For the past two years, she has worked with the Huntington Regional Chamber of Commerce's Children's Arts Festival Extravaganza (CAFE) event.

"In all honesty, this event would not be the educational, creative and fun project it has become without Marthea's artistic input and genuine interest in making sure children are introduced to the visual arts," said Leah Clark Payne, a communications specialist at Marshall, who worked alongside Barnes in helping organize the event.

Hannah Kinker has taken two classes taught by Barnes, and Barnes has been her advisor. Kinker said Barnes played the major role in helping her choose a career in Art Education.

"Dr. Barnes has taught and encouraged me to meet challenges that I had never before thought possible," Kinker said, "and I will forever be grateful for my time as her student."

Byron Clercx, chair of the Department of Art & Design, said he holds Barnes in high esteem.

"As a classroom teacher, field supervisor, student advisor/mentor, scholar, program advocate/recruiter and community volunteer (she) is the consummate colleague and team player," Clercx said.

Barnes received her B.A. in French from Concordia College in 1991, her K-12 Teaching License in art education from Concordia in 1994, her M.A. in art history from the University of St. Thomas in 2001 and her Ph.D. in art education from Ohio State in 2008.

Brent Patterson is described by Don Van Horn, dean of the College of Fine Arts, as "one of the most Innovative and inspiring teachers in COFA as well as one of the most dedicated educators I've ever known."

Patterson has been teaching in the area of New Media at Marshall since the fall of 2006. Jonathan Cox, a professor of art who has worked with Patterson, said Patterson is a truly gifted teacher and creative artist.

"I am pleased and proud to teach, work and serve with Brent Patterson," Cox said.

In Patterson's classes, students "read, watch, write, discuss and practice with practice being the principal activity," Patterson said. He said he is constantly revising and experimenting with his pedagogical methodology with the goal of creating a better environment of respectful and mutually beneficial discourse supported by carefully planned and evaluated assignments, discussions and personal guidance.

Stephanie Lloyd has taken several courses from Patterson, whom she says is "passionate about teaching."

"Teachers like Professor Patterson, who inspire students to be passionate about a subject, are rare," Lloyd said.
Van Horn said Patterson has distinguished himself through his efforts to develop exciting curriculum and opportunities for Marshall students in the area of electronic media while also invigorating the department with his "Intellectual rigor."

"He is an exemplary teacher who is in command of the ever-changing technology that defines his area of expertise," Van Horn said.

Patterson received his B.A. in fine art/multimedia from Ohio State University in 2001 and his M.F.A. in fine art/multimedia from Washington State University in 2004.

Distinguished Service Awards

Three people will receive the Distinguished Service Award and three will receive the Distinguished Artists and Scholars Award.

To qualify for Distinguished Service Awards, persons must have at least 20 years of service at Marshall University, a record of distinguished service to the university and/or college, and a record of distinguished teaching as evidenced by peer, administrative and/or student evaluations. The Distinguished Service Award winners, each of whom will receive $1,000, are:

- Dr. Camilla Brammer, Communication Studies, College of Liberal Arts, 26 years of service
- Dr. Barbara Gayer, Special Education, College of Education and Human Services, 36 years of service
- Dr. Marcia Harrison-Pitaniello, Biological Sciences, College of Science, 25 years of service

Distinguished Artists and Scholars

To be eligible for the Distinguished Artists and Scholars Awards, faculty members must either be tenured or hold tenure-track appointments. The purpose of the award is to recognize distinction in the fields of artistic and scholarly activity on the part of the Marshall faculty. The senior recipients of the Distinguished Artists and Scholars Awards receive $2,000 apiece while the junior recipient receives $1,000. The Distinguished Artists and Scholars Award winners are as follows:

- Dr. Rachael Peckham, English, assistant professor, Junior recipient among all faculty
- Dr. Thomas Wilson, Physics, professor, senior recipient in the field of Sciences and Technology
- Dr. Richard Agasa, Finance/Economics, professor, senior recipient in the field of Arts, Social Sciences, Humanities, Education and Business

John and Frances Rucker Graduate Advisor of the Year Awards

Two people received the John and Frances Rucker Graduate Advisor of the Year award, which acknowledges the contributions of Marshall’s outstanding graduate advisors. They are:

- Dr. Michael Cunningham, professor, Leadership Studies, Graduate School of Education and Professional Development, from the South Charleston campus
- Dr. Piyali Dasgupta, assistant professor, Department of Pharmacology, Physiology and Toxicology, School of Medicine, from the Huntington campus

Sarah Denman Faces of Appalachia Award

The Sarah Denman Faces of Appalachia Fellowship Award, which includes a $3,000 award, is presented each year to one faculty member. This year’s recipient is:

- Dr. Donna Sullivan, associate professor, Sociology

Retirees

Marshall also is recognizing 14 retiring faculty who have a combined 401 years of service. They are:

- Earline Allen, Art and Design, College of Fine Arts, 41 years of service
- Dr. George Arthur, School of Education, College of Education and Human Services, 21 years of service
- Dr. Strous Arya, Surgery, School of Medicine, 10 years of service
- Dr. E. Noel Bowling, Reading Education, Graduate School of Education and Professional Development, 34 years of service
- Kathy Chezlk, Communication Disorders, College of Health Professions, 40 years of service
- Joe Fuller, Engineering, College of Information Technology and Engineering, 31 years of service
- Dr. Barbara Gayer, School of Education, College of Education and Human Services, 36 years of service
- Dr. Sandra Marna, Nursing, College of Health Professions, 19 years of service
- Dr. Michael Moore, Biochemistry and Microbiology, School of Medicine, 33 years of service
- Dr. Leslie Peteyos, Music, College of Fine Arts, 24 years of service
- Dr. Gilbert Ratcliffe Jr., Pediatrics, School of Medicine, 22 years of service
- Dr. Maria-Carmen Riddel, Modern Languages, College of Liberal Arts, 29 years of service
- Dr. Gary Saunders, Accountancy and Legal Environment, Lewis College of Business, 21 years of service
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"We look forward every year to the Honors Convocation, which is the only university-wide recognition of our undergraduates' academic excellence," said Dr. Mary Todd, dean of Marshall's Honors College. "It is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the achievements of students whose faculty have identified them as outstanding in their field of study."

Todd said more than 100 students will participate and for the first time all 64 graduates of the Honors College will receive a special medallion. Also for the first time, the students will be accompanied by their department chairs when they are recognized on stage.

Todd said it is appropriate that Johns deliver the keynote address to a group of outstanding students. At Marshall, Johns was a standout student-athlete, winning four Southern Conference championships in the shot put and discus for the Thundering Herd track and field team, while consistently earning dean's list honors in the classroom. He earned a degree in political science from Marshall and a law degree from American University.

With a commanding stage presence, he also was regarded as one of the best actors at Marshall in the late 1970s, performing key roles in numerous productions for the theatre department.

Today, Johns is highly respected in his field. Before joining CNN in 2004, he covered Capitol Hill for NBC News for more than 10 years. He has received many honors, including two National Association of Black Journalists Salute to Excellence awards. He also was among the NBC Nightly News team to receive an Edward R. Murrow Award for reports on the "Beltway Sniper" saga. He also played a key role in CNN's "America Votes 2008" coverage.

Johns visited Marshall in 2008 when he served as grand marshal in the university's homecoming parade. He also was the featured speaker that year at the 38th annual memorial service honoring the victims of the 1970 Marshall plane crash.
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The ceremony took place just over a year after ground was broken for the center which is off the Airport Road exit of Corridor G (US 119).

The new facility, which houses the Coalfield Health Center, provides expanded medical services for the region as well as educational opportunities for medical students and students in other health professions. It is linked electronically to the resources of Marshall’s Robert C. Byrd Center for Rural Health and the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine.

Photo: From left, Congressman Nick J. Rahall, II; Marshall University School of Medicine Dean Charles McKown; Gov. Earl Ray Tomblin; Sen. Ron Stollings; Jennifer Plymale, director of the Robert C. Byrd Center for Rural Health; Marshall President Stephen J. Kopp; Del. Greg Butcher; and Kelley Goes, state director for U.S. Sen. Joe Manchin, participate in a ribbon-cutting ceremony for Marshall’s new Rural Health and Clinical Education Center in Chapmanville Friday, April 22.

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"Marshall University and Alcorn State University have been working for two years to make this wonderful program a reality," said Dr. Shari Clarke, vice president of the Office of Multicultural Affairs at Marshall. "It will create incredible synergy between the two institutions and faculty from each one will have the opportunity to teach in a completely different environment. It is a great partnership for Marshall University."

Through the exchange, a Marshall faculty member will spend a semester teaching at Alcorn State and an Alcorn State faculty member will spend a semester teaching at Marshall. The program is expected to begin this fall. A similar student exchange between the two schools begins in fall 2012.

"This is the beginning of a great, new relationship between Alcorn State, the second-oldest university in the state of Mississippi, and Marshall, the oldest (public) university in West Virginia," Brown said. "We look forward to this exchange and a long-standing and mutually collaborative relationship."

Clarke said the idea of a faculty exchange program surfaced in a meeting of Marshall's Faculty Diversity Committee.

"We wanted to do an exchange with a historically black college," Clarke said. "We wanted the culture they had to bring and we wanted them to embrace our culture. I chose Alcorn State because when I was at the University of Nebraska, we did a faculty exchange with Alcorn and it was wonderful."

Photo: Marshall President Stephen J. Kopp, left, and M. Christopher Brown II, president of Alcorn State University, sign the Alcorn State University-Marshall University Partnership in Education Agreement during a ceremony in the Drinko Library. Photo by Rick Hayel/Marshall University.
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Among other duties she trains and supervises student workers; performs numerous duties for faculty; schedules rooms for a multitude of purposes; works with the Registrar’s Office on all scheduling issues; serves as a liaison with IT for all computer-related problems involving faculty computers and the department’s electronic classrooms; and deals with numerous other matters involving faculty, staff and students.

"Despite the tremendous workload burden that she carries, Ms. Sharp remains collegial and helpful to faculty, students, and staff colleagues with whom she interacts across campus," writes Hill, who says she has received a stream of compliments from multiple units on campus regarding Sharp's interpersonal skills. "She is a problem-solver by nature, and in any unit as large as ours, problem-solving is the majority of the job."

Hill says Sharp does essential and exemplary work in keeping her, as Chair, informed about essential matters such as deadlines, individual needs, budgetary matters and other topics that need her attention and willingly fields as many requests for information as she can in an effort to guard the Chair’s time.

"Her skill level for all these tasks is top notch; any skill she doesn’t have, she learns with dizzying speed," Hill continues. "Given that practically every undergraduate in the University passes through our Department for multiple courses and that our graduate students teach many of the undergraduates, the myriad ways in which Ms. Sharp makes this extra-large unit work are...a crucial contribution to the University Community."

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

Photo: Cheryl Sharp (left) receives her Employee of the Month award from President Kopp.
Proctor to address students in Donning of Kente ceremony

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The traditional and historical ceremony takes place each spring for African and African American students who graduated from Marshall during the winter and those slated for graduation in May or during the coming summer school term.

The Kente cloth, which resembles a stole and is worn with the academic regalia, is a symbol of accomplishment that has its roots in a long tradition of weaving in West African countries. Marshall instituted the tradition of presenting Kente cloths several years ago. During the Donning of the Kente the following woven cloths will be awarded: Owo Repue for associate degrees; Babadua for bachelor's degrees; Kyemfere for master's degrees; and Akyem Shield for post-master's degrees.

Maurice Cooley, director of the Center for African American Students' Programs, said approximately 70 students are expected to participate, along with several members of Marshall's faculty and staff.

"The Donning of Kente Celebration of Achievement is one of the most prestigious and culturally significant events in which Marshall's African and African American students can participate," Cooley said. "We expect an inspiring address from Ms. Proctor, who has more than 25 years' experience as a communications and business professional."

Proctor began her current position as director of communications for Gov. Tomblin in November 2010. Prior to joining the Governor's office, she served as the deputy commissioner for the West Virginia Division of Culture and History for four years. Her career in arts and cultural management began as general manager of the Huntington Symphony Orchestra in the fall of 2005. There she handled the business, financial and legal affairs of the orchestra as well as the production and operation of all orchestra concerts.

Coming to West Virginia from New York, Proctor enjoyed a substantial 20-year career working in network television for the Disney/ABC Television Network, where she rose to the position of director of Operations & News Media. Following the network, she worked as a consultant for Rogen Inc., a firm that specializes in consultative services focusing on persuasive face-to-face business communications for senior executives. She is a member of the National Association of Female Executives.

"There are many milestones of achievement that mark a well-lived life," said Proctor. "The Donning of Kente will be one of those moments for the most recent graduating class of African American students at Marshall University. I am honored to be a part of their moment and I look forward to sharing in this honor and tradition."

The Marshall University African Dance and Drum ensemble will provide music for the celebration and a reception will follow on the Memorial Student Center Plaza for all participants and those in attendance. In the event of rain, the ceremony will take place at the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center.
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In December 2006, Lacy and his co-worker, Don Hill, were named Marshall University Employees of the Month for their outstanding work on the South Charleston campus. They were nominated by Kemp Winfree, then the Vice President for Regional Operations. Winfree praised the pair as being exceptional employees, going well beyond what was required in their jobs, who worked to make certain the South Charleston environment was conductive to good student and faculty use. He cited their extraordinary efforts in quickly repairing and restoring the large campus sign that had been damaged by vandals at about that time.

An avid outdoorsman, Lacy and his brother, Gary, were the subjects of a story in the sports section of the Charleston Gazette-Mail last month.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to HospiceCare, 1606 Kanawha Blvd. W., Charleston, W.Va., 25312-2536.

Photo: Glenn Lacy (right), who died Friday, is shown receiving his 2006 Employee of the Month award from Kemp Winfree (center), along with coworker Don Hill.

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