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## Affiliation agreement is announced

A resource affiliation agreement between Marshall University's School of Medicine and Huntington State Hospital to assist in developing model patient care programs at the hospital was announced earlier this week by School of Medicine Dean Robert W. Coon and West Virginia Health Department Director L. Clark Hansbarger.

The announcement came at a luncheon for area state legislators and representatives of area mental health agencies at which the new clinical director, Raymond R. Watson, who is associate dean at the school, and the new superintendent, Charles J. Langan III also were introduced.

Langan, formerly executive director of the Southern Highlands Community Mental Health Center at Princeton, will assume the post July 1. Dr. Watson, the former chief of medical services for the Huntington Veterans Administration Medical Center, began his current role earlier this month.

"We see this collaboration as a giant step toward im-

proving mental health care for West Virginia residents," Dr. Hansbarger told the luncheon guests. "It is apparent that Huntington is blessed with many resources which should enable Huntington State Hospital to become a model for institutional care—and one of the most important of these resources is the Marshall University School of Medicine," he said.

"The basic philosophy behind the affiliation is to develop a relationship similar to that existing between the school and the VA Medical Center which involves a sharing of resources and assistance in developing quality patient care programs," Dr. Coon said.

"In the VA's case, this has been done through the establishment of a Dean's Committee composed of the key members of the medical school staff, the chiefs of clinical departments and key staff members of the VA Medical Center," he said. "That committee is responsible for advising the director in developing professional patient care programs and in recruiting staff members.

"The school's involvement with the Huntington State Hospital will be very much the same as its role with the VA Medical Center," Coon explained. "Many of our

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### ART STUDENT RECEIVES AWARD

Mark Simpson, left, was selected as the 1982 recipient of the Arthur S. Carpenter Purchase Award for Excellence which is given annually by the Marshall University Art Department with support from the MU Foundation. Looking at the purchase work with Simpson is MU Foundation Executive Director Bernard Queen. Simpson received his M.A. degree in May with majors in painting and printmaking. A former graduate assistant in the department, Simpson has exhibited his work throughout the region and was the first place winner in painting for the 1981 Exhibition 280 conducted by the Huntington Galleries. Given to recognize outstanding student work, the \$100 Carpenter Purchase Award is named for a former department chairman who taught at Marshall for 22 years.

## MU library receives PRLC commendation

Marshall University's James E. Morrow Library has become the first West Virginia library to receive commendation from the Pittsburgh Regional Library Center (PRLC) for its "quality of original cataloging on the OCLC system."

The 62-member PRLC is a cooperative library program which provides access to a much larger computerized cataloging data base known as the Ohio College Library Center (OCLC)

MU Libraries Director Kenneth T. Slack credited music Librarian Kay Wildman and former library staff member Mary Faith Pankin with the library receiving the new award, which is based on 1980 work.

"Our input is significant because few libraries have catalogers who are capable of doing original cataloging on such items as librettos, scores, music manuscripts and recordings," Dr. Slack said.

"Kay Wildman is responsible for all of the field of music original cataloging originating from Marshall," he added. "She is probably the best music librarian in the business," Slack said.

This is not the first time Ms. Pankin's and Ms. Wildman's work has resulted in honors for the library, according to Slack. Just a few years ago, Marshall received OCLC's Fred Kilgore Award for "consistently high quality cataloging and dedication to the principles of shared bibliographic information in the OCLC on-line Union Catalog."



## Simon's 'Chapter Two' opens Thursday

Tickets are now on sale for Marshall University's Theatre's summer production of Neil Simon's romantic comedy "Chapter Two."

The show will be presented at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, July 8-10, in air-conditioned Old Main Auditorium, according to Dr. Elaine A. Novak, MU professor of speech and director.

Reserved seat tickets at \$3.50 each will be available from the Theatre Box Office, located in Old Main 107, from noon to 4 p.m. weekdays. Telephone reserva-

tions may be made by calling (304) 696-2306 during those hours and tickets will be available at the door before performances. MU students with valid ID cards will be admitted free.

A recent Broadway and movie hit, "Chapter Two" is based in part on Simon's own life and deals with his courtship of actress Marsha Mason, following the death of his first wife.

When the show opened on Broadway, "Variety" called it the "author's best play to date."

## Medical School to aid program development

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faculty have joint appointments with the VA Medical Center so that a portion of their time is devoted to care of VA patients. This is what is envisioned at Huntington State Hospital with the state Health Department sharing in the cost of these personnel services, he said. "Dr. Watson's appointment as clinical director is an example of this," he added.

Langan, the newly-appointed hospital superintendent, noted that the hospital was under a State Supreme Court mandate to improve mental health care and other patient services. "The need right now at Huntington State Hospital is clearly to increase and to enhance the quality of patient services as well as the training and staff development needs of the personnel," Langan said.

"We feel that the affiliation with Marshall will benefit us greatly in this," he said. "It is even conceivable that at some future time, through the research potential resulting from integrating Marshall faculty with our staff, that we may make some major breakthroughs in mental health care," he said.

"This affiliation reflects the Rockefeller administration's interest and the intentions of the legislature over the past few years in upgrading the state's mental health institutions through both facility changes and program improvements," Hansbarger said.

Coon pledged the medical school's assistance in developing quality psychiatric services and other appropriate health care services.

"One of the very first goals will be to bring the hospital up to the standards of the Joint Commission for Accreditation of Hospitals (JCAH) which will improve our care and at the same time open up opportunities for medical education programs for residents and medical students," said Watson.

"This agreement is a further enhancement of currently existing reciprocal agreements between the hospital and the community's other mental health programs. The initial tangible benefit will be in the area of staff recruitment as the attractiveness of a medical school atmosphere which provides an opportunity for an academic as well as clinical roles is a highly desirable recruitment tool," Watson said.

"Among the multiple spinoffs to the entire health community will be the development of a high degree of sophistication within individual patient care programs. As these relationships mature, not only will direct in-hospital patient care be enhanced but so will that for the entire community," Watson said.

## 23 Marshall students winners in W.J. Maier writing contest

Awards totaling \$5,000 have been presented to 23 Marshall University students as winners of the William J. Maier writing competition, sponsored by the Marshall English Department.

The awards were presented this spring, by Edwin H. Maier, president of the Maier Foundation. The winners were:

Freshman essays—first place tie (\$500 each), Ralph Wadkins and Sandra Duncan, both of Huntington; third place (\$300), Kelly Bragg of Huntington; honorable mention (\$100 each), Chris Robinson of Winfield, Tamara Wysong of Princeton and Charlotte Oyler of Culloden.

Poetry—first place (\$250), Taube Marie Cyrus of Huntington; second place (\$150), Paula Wells of Huntington; third place (\$100), Barbara Roush of Barboursville.

Fiction—first place (\$300), Ruth Ann Hendrickson of New Haven; second place (\$200), Diane McClain of Barboursville; third place tie (\$150 each), Rose Davis of Huntington and Ralph Wadkins.

Upper division essays (unranked)—\$100 each to Jane Hess and Stephanie Skolik, both of Huntington, Rebecca Phillips of Fort Gay and Michael Tolley of Beckley.

Graduate—first place tie (\$450 each), Emily Wells of Wayne and Ruth Ann Hendrickson.

University Honors Program awards of \$200 each were presented to David Lusty of Huntington and Jodi Woody of Victor, W.Va. Awards of \$100 each went to Jeff Jones, Barry Wyant, Mary Aldred and Julia Moscatello, all of Huntington.

## Jesse Stuart writing awards presented to three students

Three Marshall University students were winners in the annual Jesse Stuart Writing Award competition sponsored by the MU English Department with funding from the First Bank and Trust Company of Ashland, Ky.

Sam Pritchard of Nazareth, Pa., was the winner of the \$200 first place award for his short story, "An Even Trade." Tied for second place awards of \$50 each were Drema Skaggs Redd of Charleston, for a short story, "The Head of the Creek," and Ralph L. Wadkins of Russell, Ky., for a short story, "The Executions at Checkpoint Two-eight."

The competition, established in 1977 in honor of the distinguished regional author from eastern Kentucky, is designed to encourage writing excellence on Appalachian themes.

# MU faculty and staff achievements, activities. . .

DAN O'HANLON, Criminal Justice Department acting chairman, has been appointed to an American Red Cross advisory committee. On April 23 he spoke to the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers on Municipal Court at its banquet. On April 30, O'Hanlon was Law Day speaker at Huntington East High School and discussed his work program for prisoners. He also was featured speaker at the "New Roles in the Law" Conference, sponsored by the West Virginia Paralegal Association and held at the University of Charleston on May 1.

DR. WARREN W. WOODEN, professor of English, has been awarded a \$250 Children's Literature Association (ChLA) Research Fellowship to defray research expenses on his book, "A History of Children's Literature in England, ca. 1500-1700."

DR. PETER J. KASVINSKY, assistant professor of biochemistry, presented a paper, "Regulation of Cardiac Phosphatase by Caffeine and Glucose," at the annual meeting of the American Society of Biological Chemists held in New Orleans April 17-22. He also was selected to attend the Frontiers of Science Conference on Cyclic Nucleotides conducted by the Gordon Research Conferences June 14-18 at Kimbal Union Academy, Meriden, N.H.

## Personnel personals. . .

John Paul Rigsby has been named vice president for professional services at Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital, Ashland, Ky. He is the husband of Deborah Rigsby, Development and Foundation Office secretary.

Llewellyn McKernan won a \$250 first place award in the narrative poetry division of the West Virginia Writers Association competition. The wife of Dr. John McKernan, associate professor of English, she also won third place (\$100) in the poetry manuscript collection division.

David V. Staats, son of Staff Librarian Sara B. Staats, recently graduated from Harvard Law School and married Miss Sau Lan Tang of Hong Kong in Middletown, Conn. The couple will reside in the Boston area where he will be employed as a tax consultant and she will work on her doctorate at MIT, according to Ms. Staats, who was present for her son's graduation and wedding.

**Proud of a family members' achievement? Is there a new baby at your house? Is there something else you would like to share with our colleagues? "Personnel personals" is just the place. Send your information to Judith Casto, University Relations, Old Main 102.**

## Death claims Steve Szekely, former member of MU staff

Funeral services were held June 19 for Charles Steve Szekely, 60, a former Marshall University superintendent of plant operations, who died at his home, 6124 Gideon Road, June 17. Burial was in Ridgelawn Memorial Park.

Szekely was a member of the university staff from 1961 until 1976. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and served with the U.S. Army in World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Lois B. Szekely; two daughters, Priscilla Budden of Paris, Ky., and Trish Szekely of Houston, Texas, and a son, Steve Szekely, at home.

DR. DAN K. EVANS, associate professor of biological sciences and curator, has been appointed as one of three editors for the journal *Castanea*, the journal of the Southern Appalachian Botanical Society which is published at the University of North Carolina-Charlotte. His editorial duties include reviewing manuscripts and assigning reviewers in the areas of systematic botany and plant ecology.

DR. MARC A. LINDBERG, assistant professor of psychology, presented a paper, "The Development of Attribute Dominance in Children," at the Southeastern Conference on Human Development in Baltimore, Md. on April 23. He also presented the paper, "The Development of Attributes in Memory Development," at the Midwestern Psychological Association meeting in Minneapolis on May 8. His article, "Ontogenetic and Phylogenetic Shifts in the Cognitive Representation of the Conditioned Response" appeared in a recent issue of the *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory and Cognition*.

DR. THOMAS S. BISHOP, professor of marketing, scored the second hole-in-one at the Elks Esquire County Club this season on April 28. He used a 5-iron to ace the par-13, 148-yard 16th hole, according to the club professional.

CARLA BAILEY, secretary in Personnel, and STEPHANIE DEAN, personnel assistant, are members of the River Magic Chapter of Sweet Adelines, a female barbershop chorus which won the Regional Small Chorus Trophy May 1 in competition at Indianapolis. River Magic received the highest score among the nine small choruses competing and placed sixth overall. PAUL E. DEMPSEY, instrument technician for the Music Department, is the director. Ms. Dean also sings with the Denotables, a quartet which placed 17th in the 39-quartet competition. She and Ms. Bailey are officers of the chapter's board of directors.

DR. ROBERT W. COON, School of Medicine dean, received the honorary Doctor of Science degree from his alma mater, North Dakota State University, on May 29 during the school's commencement program. Coon received his B.S. degree from the school in 1942.

DR. C. ROBERT BARNETT, associate professor of health, physical education and recreation, had his article "Playing for the Pack in the 30s" reprinted in the May, 1982, issue of *Coffin Corner*, the professional football research association magazine. The article originally appeared in the August, 1981, edition of *The Packer Report*. Barnett also attended the spring meeting of the West Virginia Planning Association which was held in Huntington May 14-15.

DR. E. BOWIE KAHLE, associate professor of biological sciences, DR. ROBERT B. WALKER, assistant professor of community medicine, and DR. PATRICIA EISENMAN, associate professor of health, physical education and recreation, are co-authors of a paper, "Moderate Diet Control in Children: The Effects on Metabolic Indicators that Predict Obesity-related Degenerative Diseases," appearing in the May, 1982, issue of *The American Journal of Clinical Nutrition*. Also listed as co-authors were Kay M. Behall, Judy Hallfrisch and Sheldon Reiser of the Beltsville (Md.) Human Nutrition Research Center, USDA.

DR. DANNY FULKS, professor of education, has had an article entitled "Reading and Language Activities for Pre-adolescents" accepted for publication in the *Florida Reading Quarterly*.