Marshall, where she was on the staff of the counseling center. But the best way was yet to come, she said. "I met my husband, David, who is a rabbi, when I lived here and we were married in Huntington. The community was incredibly nice to us. So I was sorry to leave when David accepted the move to a synagogue in Springfield, Missouri."

The Wuchers spent 28 years in Springfield, North Carolina, and Tori, a member of the B'nai Sholom Synagogue, was a R'vai Sholom Synagogue. It was like coming home for the Wuchers. "I love Huntington; it's a great place to raise children; you've been marveled at this area, we've even bought burials plots here," she says with a laugh. And for the first time in her life, Tori had a career. "Tori taught both graduate and undergraduates in a multi-cultural counseling program. A commission is $10 per person and includes foods, drinks and give-aways. Students with current Marshall ID's will be admitted for free.

Parking at the tailgate is available on a first-come, first-served basis for $5. Overflow parking is available at the WVU Coliseum. Kickoff for the game is set for 3:30 p.m. at Puskur Stadium."

"There is tremendous enthusiasm on both sides for the start of this year's football season and we wanted to make certain that Marshall students, alumni and fans have a place to gather prior to the football game in Morgantown," said Mike Kirtner, president of Kindred Communications, which includes one of the event's sponsors, WPUR. "Thanks to our sponsors, we're able to put together a first-class event that sets the tone for this great rivalry and creates a tradition when the Thundering Herd travels to Morgantown."

Harper Gift Celebrates the Arts

Harper has received a gift of $1.5 million from the estate of Donald B. Harper that will support an endowed scholarship in the College of Fine Arts. Harper joined Marshall in 1995 to assist West Virginia residents in the College of Fine Arts. A Marshall graduate, he established the Donald B. Harper Scholarship in 1995 to assist West Virginia residents in the College of Fine Arts. "Donald B. Harper is the second largest gift ever made to Marshall and is truly transformative," said Mike Kirtner, president of Kindred Communications, which includes one of the event's sponsors, WPUR. "Thanks to our sponsors, we're able to put together a first-class event that sets the tone for this great rivalry and creates a tradition when the Thundering Herd travels to Morgantown."

Marcus Joins Faculty

cruciate ligaments (ACLs) and perform meniscal repairs. Marcus graduated with honors from Rider University in Lawrenceville, New Jersey, where he received his Bachelor of Science degree from the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1998. He completed his internship and residency training in orthopedic surgery at Marshall University Hospital and the Polyclinic Medical Center. In addition to being certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Orthopedic Surgery, he is a diplomate of the National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners and an active member of the American Orthopedic Society. He began seeing patients Aug. 15. His office number is 691-1262.

Staff Emeritus

Resource Services office.

According to the policy, retired as used in years in the U.S. after retirement, "I've had a hard time adjusting to being retired in the Bann er HR system."

For more information about the event, contact the Marshall University Alumni Association at (304) 696-3134.

To view the entire story, please visit the Marshall University Alumni Association website at marshallalumni.org.
The timeless love story “Aida” comes to the Joan Edwards Performing Arts Center on Saturday, March 22. “Wonderful Town,” comes to the Joan Edwards Performing Arts Center on Friday, March 21. 

— Linda Wallace

**Profile: Tori Wucher**

A series on interesting Marshall University people.

Tori Wucher

She's funny and upbeat with a ready laugh and a bountyful zest for life. Tori Wucher is always half full, never half empty.

For the senior three years in a row Tori has fended program she works with, Upward Bound, describes Tori as the best volunteer she has had in the 15 years she's been at Marshall even some daunting health problems haven’t dampened her fervor or lessened her energy for the program as she motivates and empowers so well. She’s filled with enthusiasm talking about the students she's seen pass through her program.

Upward Bound, she explains, is a program to help low achieving high school students realize their potential for attending college and to do well once they’re admitted. The focus is on students from low income families or potentially first generation families in which neither parent has a four-year degree. Marshall's program encompasses five high schools in three counties, Cabell Midland, Huntington, Wayne, Tolisa and Tug Valley.

“These are students who have potential for college but aren’t necessarily meeting it,” she says. “Our job is to help them. During our summer program 50 students live on campus for six weeks. They have academic classes in the morning and cultural or interactive experiences in the evening. They also get to experience what life on campus is like.”

Upward Bound students work-study program during the summer and Wucher is always there to cheer them on. During our summer program 60 students live on campus once a year as a group. Some grant funds are allotted to a student to help them. The tutoring and testing program is also available at high school. Students come through the program.

Wucher sets up the on-campus meetings and takes care of arranging for buses, the tutoring and testing programs, all the myriad details necessary to keep the program running. There’s also a monthly newsletter for students and a newsletter which meets once a year or as a group. Some grants funds are allotted to a student to help them. The tutoring and testing program is also available at high school. Students come through the program.

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Wucher and other Upward Bound personnel spent three days in July accompanying more than 30 students on a “reward” trip to Virginia Beach. Students earn points for their good grades, tutoring and participation which culminates in a family reunion. Her background in counseling and psychology has been helpful in working with students. She’s a West Virginia University graduate with an A.B. degree in psychology and a M.A. degree in education. She worked with Upward Bound while she was a student.

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