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Hunnicutt wins Distinguished Service Award

Joseph W. Hunnicutt III, a Charleston businessman and chairman of the board of the Marshall University Big Green Scholarship Foundation, will receive the 1980 Distinguished Service Award from the Marshall Alumni Association.

The president and owner of Hunnicutt Coal Sales, Inc., of Charleston, Hunnicutt served as a member of the athletic scholarship foundation in several capacities before becoming chairman of the board. He will be honored at the Alumni Awards Banquet at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 19, in Memorial Student Center during Alumni Weekend activities.

The Distinguished Service Award, not limited to Marshall alumni, is given by the association for loyal and unselfish service to Marshall, explained Philip E. Cline, association president.

"Hunnicutt lobbies for Marshall extensively throughout the state," Cline said. "His diligent fund-raising efforts have been largely responsible for a dramatic increase to the Big Green Scholarship Fund. Private sector contributions have increased from $1,000 to $320,000 from Marshall in 1972.

Born in Norton, Va., Hunnicutt graduated from Princeton (W.Va.) High School in 1953. He received his bachelor's degree from Marshall in 1957. From 1957 to 1962, Hunnicutt was employed by Island Creek Coal Co. From 1962 to 1964, he was with the industrial division of Johnson and Johnson in Roanoake.

For ten years, Hunnicutt worked for the IBM Corp., during which he served on several special task forces concerning the financial aspects of IBM. In 1974, Hunnicutt became vice president of Coal Power Corp., and vice president of Broad Run Mining Co., a Coal Power subsidiary.

In addition to his work with the Big Green Scholarship Foundation and the MU Alumni Association, Hunnicutt is a member of the board of directors of The River Center.

Hunnicutt has been involved with the United Way, Boy Scouts, Ducks Unlimited and the Rotary, Kiwanis and Toastmasters clubs.

PERSONNEL PERSONALS

DONNA BRAXTON gave birth to her first child, Kisha, on March 21. Mrs. Braxton and her husband Gilbert live in Buckskirk Hall, where she is resident director.

Emily Nicole Tygart was born Sunday, March 16 at Cabell Huntington Hospital. She is the daughter of Steve and Kathy Tygart. Mrs. Tygart is an assistant professor of nursing.

Doug Barker, son of Lissa and Roy Barker and a sixth grader at Hurricane Elementary School, won the spelling championship of Putnam County. He will compete in the state finals at Marshall on April 12. Mrs. Barker is an assistant professor of nursing.

Ken Certon, son of Dr. BRUCE CHERTOW, professor of medicine, won first place in the eighth grade competition in the recent regional math field day. Certon is a student at Camrack Junior High School.

Proud of a family member's accomplishment is there a new baby at your house? Is there something you'd like to share with your colleagues? The News Letter's 'Personnel Personal's" is another channel open to you. Send your information to Ruth Nerenberg, Alumni Relations, Old Main 102.

Tickets now available for musical comedy 'Company'

Tickets are on sale now for the Marshall University Music and Speech departments' production of "Company," Stephen Sondheim's award-winning musical comedy, which opens a five-day run on Wednesday, April 16. The musical, featuring Kenova graduate student Ben- ny Key in the lead, will be presented in Old Main Auditorium at 8 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, April 16-19, with a matinee at 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 20.

Reserved seat tickets at $3.50 each may be purchased at the University Theater Box Office, located in Old Main 107, from 1 to 4:30 p.m. weekdays. Tickets may be reserved by calling 3134 during those hours.

Tickets for those seats not reserved in advance will be sold at the door prior to each performance, according to Kitty Allen, box office manager. MU students, faculty and staff purchasing tickets prior to the close of the box office on April 16 will receive a 51 cent discount, she said.

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Explorer: John Warren joins Heyerdahl, Glenn and Nobel laureates in prestigious club

Dr. John R. Warren, professor of biological sciences, has been a member of the board of directors of The Explorer Club at Marshall University, has been elected a fellow in The Explorers Club.

His selection to the highest rank of membership in the prestigious organization was announced in a letter from Richard Steel, secretary.

Founded in 1904, The Explorers Club is considered one of the world's most distinguished societies, serving as an international focal point in the search for new knowledge.

Membership in the club, headquartered in New York, is open to explorers, scientists and others noted for their contributions to world knowledge and exploration. The Explorers Club flag accompanied Robert E. Peary to the North Pole, Roald Amundsen to the South Pole, and American astronauts to the moon.

The current membership roster includes such names as Neil Armstrong, Sir Edmund Hillary, John Glenn, Carl Sagan, Thor Heyerdahl, and several Nobel laureates.

"Fellows" in the organization are individuals who have actively participated in exploration, or who have substantially enlarged the scope of human knowledge through scientific achievements, with published reports, books or articles.

Warren, who is an amateur archaeologist, lived in Central America for several years and returns frequently to study the Mayan culture and has reported the possible existence of a pre-Columbian culture not previously known to science. He recently was awarded a Fullbright Lectureship to Ecuador, his second Fulbright award since 1968 when he was a Fulbright Senior Scholar at the National Autonomous University in Honduras.

A botanist who speaks fluent Spanish, Warren will assist Ecuador's University of Guayaquil in a project designed to improve tropical farming through genetic techniques. He will be on sabbatical leave from Marshall during the Spring Term of 1981.

Alumni Weekend features awards, art, and more

Alumni Association awards, an art exhibit, receptions, dinners, a golf tournament and a golf tournament are all part of Marshall University's annual Alumni Weekend, April 18-20.

This year's theme is "Bridging the Generations," chosen because this year's reunion classes-1930, 1955 and 1970-span three generations of Marshall graduates, according to Association President Philip Cline.

The major event for most participants will be the Alumni Awards Banquet at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 19, in the Memorial Student Center. The cost is $8 per person. Reservations must be made by April 18. Preceding the banquet, an Alumni Social Hour will provide the chance to chat with award recipients and classmates.

Friday's events: "Company" by University Theatre, 8 p.m., Old Main Auditorium.

Saturday's events: Eye Opener (coffee and doughnuts), 11 a.m., Student Center Lobby.

Art Exhibit and silent auction, 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Alumni Lounge.

1980 Technical Writing Conference set Thursday

A technical writing consultant/educator and a panel of area business and industry representatives will highlight the 1980 Technical Writing Conference scheduled at Marshall University on Thursday, April 17.

Sponsored by the MU English Department, the conference will focus on technical writing, while providing stimulating ideas on how to teach technical writing, according to Dr. William P. Sullivan, MU English and department chairman.

The keynote speaker will be Dr. Paul V. Anderson, business and technical writing program coordinator at Miami (Ohio) University, who will discuss “Practical Applications of Recent Technical Writing Trends in Business and Industry” at 9:30 a.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2W22 with a workshop to follow.

“Writing in Your Career—To College Students from Business and Industry” will be the topic to be discussed at 1:30 p.m. by a panel of Tri-State Area industry representatives.

MU faculty and staff achievements, activities...

DR. JABIR A. ABBAS, professor of political science, spoke on “Assessment of the Camp David Accord: One Year After” at the invitation of the Arab Students Organization at the University of Cincinnati in Covington, Ky., and Dr. David Patterson, MU associate professor of criminal justice, and Dr. Charles Mabe, associate professor of Bible and religion.

Areas to be covered include the scope of criminality in West Virginia, the administration of justice for society, the rehabilitation of convicted offenders, and various aspects of the judicial system.

Dr. Patterson also discussed the technical writing program with the panelists at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Campus Christian Center, said Father Mark Angelo, forum coordinator. Reservations are needed by noon Monday and the cost is $1.50.

Criminal justice forum scheduled Tuesday

The Campus Christian Center will sponsor a forum on criminal justice at the center’s chapel at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 15. The forum is open to faculty, staff and students.

Panel participants include W. Joseph McCoy, West Virginia corrections commissioner; the Rev. Lee Trumbur, past national president of the American Catholic Correctional Chaplain's Association and chaplain at the Federal Correctional Institution in Mendota, Ill.; and Dr. James Clymer, a member of the Yankeetown, Fla., area community judiciary commission.

The forum is also sponsored by the Student Issues Committee, the Ecumenical Council, the Christian Center and the English Department.

Excused absences...

Absences have been excused by the respective college deans as follows: April 1—Women’s Softball Team. April 9—Frank Bills, Chuck Young.

Committee discusses parking expansion

The Physical Facilities and Planning Committee met at 11 a.m. on April 3 in Memorial Student Center Room 3W10. A progress report from the safety subcommittee was received and acknowledged. Robert Eddings reported that the space utilization report for the university for this coming fall would not be ready until the next meeting.

President Robert Hayes’ request for committee recommendations concerning various issues was taken up. Item one on the list, "further expansion for parking," led to a review by Karl Egnotat of the present parking situation. The committee unanimously approved a motion that pending acquisition of property already designated for parking and the completion of Henderson Center, no further expansion appears to be required at this time. Further information relative to long term needs was requested to facilitate informed recommendations.

The secretary was instructed to write to the Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and the Director of Libraries in regard to the need for proposals for future parking, physical space needs of the theater and library respectively, so that these may be studied and recommendations made pursuant to Hayes’ request.

Respectfully submitted, Em. P. Then, Secretary

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MU FOUNDATION’S STOCK ‘RISKS’

Marshall University graduate Edward Goodno of Huntington, center, presents 500 shares of Van Dorn stock to Marshall Foundation Executive Director Bernard Queen. The gift, worth $6,000 at current market prices, is earmarked for the Egnatoff-Lewis Thomas J. A. Goodno Fellowship in Biology. At right is Dr. Harold Ward, chairman of the Biological Sciences Department, which will use proceeds from the stock to conduct aquatic biology research designed to ultimately improve water quality in the region. The fund is named in honor of Lematto Smith, 100-year-old Miami Beach, Fla., resident who is a major stockholder in Van Dorn Co., and his long-time business associate, John Goodno, also a Marshall graduate and Ed­­ward Goodno’s father. Smith has been making annual gifts of stock to the Marshall Foundation and the most recent contribution brings the Foundation’s Van Dorn holdings to 2,050 shares.

Committee members elected

Dr. Paul Stewart, dean of the Graduate School, announced the results of the graduate faculty election to fill vacancies for four year terms. Persons elected and the committees are as follows:

James E. Douglas, University Council; Stuart W. Thomas Jr., Faculty Personnel Committee; Kenneth Am­­rose and Howard L. Mills, Physical Facilities and Plan­­ning Committee.

Sarton lecture, movie set

Writer May Sarton will lecture on “Proteus—The Joys and Hazards of Being a Poet” at 11 a.m. Tues­­­day, April 15, in the Library Room. Dr. Robert Young, professor of English, will host the luncheon that will follow.

“Proteus—The Joys and Hazards of Being a Poet” will be shown at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 15, in Old Main Room 216, followed by Ms. Sarton’s comments.