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Campus United Way goal: Total participation

One hundred per cent participation by the Marshall University community is the goal of this year’s campus United Way Drive, which begins Wednesday, Sept. 30, according to Dr. Thomas S. Bishop, professor of marketing and campus drive coordinator, along with Dr. Mahlon Brown, professor of social studies.

“This year we are emphasizing participation rather than the ‘fair share’ concept,” Bishop said. “We hope every employee will give something. The amount is immaterial, for no gift is too small,” Bishop said.

“If Marshall can have 100% participation, then our contributions to the Cabell/Wayne United Way will be significant,” he said. “Marshall employees will be able to make pledge payments through payroll deduction which should simplify things,” he added.

The Cabell/Wayne United Way aids 29 area agencies which provide a variety of services to residents of all ages.

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Home Ec department to honor alumnae

Marshall University’s Home Economics Department will honor three of its graduates at a special Alumni Day Open House on Saturday, Sept. 26, according to Department Chairman Carole A. Vickers.

The department’s first “Distinguished Alumna” award will be presented to Mrs. Virginia Thabet Habeeb, formerly of Charleston and now head of her own consultant firm in New York City and Key Biscayne, Fla.

“Outstanding Young Alumnae” awards will be given to Dr. Shortie McKinney Blankenship, a Logan native and now Clinical Dietetics Program director at Drexel University, and Dr. Donna Gassaway Jams, a Moundsville native and now assistant professor of consumer studies at the University of Arizona’s School of Home Economics.

“More than 1,100 of our baccalaureate and master’s program alumni—we have men and women graduates—have been invited to attend the day-long program to celebrate our new facilities in Corbly Hall,” Dr. Vickers said. The awards will be presented at a 12:30 p.m. luncheon in Memorial Student Center.

“We are most fortunate to have the American Home Economics Association (AHEA) executive director, Dr. Kinsey B. Green, as our keynote speaker,” she added.

“The selection of Mrs. Habeeb as our first “Distinguished Alumna” award recipient is most appropriate because her career, over the years, has been dedicated to interpreting home economics knowledge to the public in a wide variety of professional positions,” Dr. Vickers said.

A native of Bluefield, Mrs. Habeeb earned her B.A. degree in home economics from Marshall in 1946. She began her career in home economics as a home service advisor for Appalachian Electric Power Company and later joined Crosley Division, Aacho Corporation, as National Home Service Training manager.

Mrs. Habeeb was with “American Home” magazine from 1955 to 1970 as food and home equipment editor and later as managing editor. While there she was a five-time recipient of the ALMA Award given by the Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers for outstanding consumer communication on home appliances.

Before joining “American Home,” she was Women’s Editor for WCHS-TV, producing and hosting a daily magazine show, “Virginia’s Home Journal.” As director of Editorial Services for her firm, she is involved in all fields of home management, food and consumer communications, including preparing articles, books, booklets, brochures, marketing strategies and consultation on product design, purchase, use and care.


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Preparatory music classes to begin Oct. 5

Registration for the Preparatory Music Program, offered by Marshall University's Music Department, will be held from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 5-6, in Smith Music Hall 215, Mari Christine Epling, program director, announced today.

Ten weeks of private lessons, group instruction and lecture/demonstration classes for students of all ages will be taught by MU music faculty members, beginning Wednesday, Oct. 7.

"New this year is a beginning string instruction class for children ages three through 13 which provides group instruction on all string instruments," Miss Epling said.

Private lessons on all instruments, including harp, will be available. Group lessons offered include: piano class for beginners, ages six through nine; piano class for adult beginners; voice class for beginners, ages 16 and up; wind ensemble class, admission by audition, and brass ensemble class, admission by audition.

"The ensemble classes are the only ones requiring auditions," Miss Epling said. "Students in other performance classes will be grouped according to their musical experience, which may range from virtually none to any level of competency," she added.

Master classes will be offered free periodically to students enrolled in the program. Separate music theory classes will be taught on the junior high, senior high and adult levels. A class in music appreciation/history for adults also is available.

Class schedules will be established at the convenience of students between 3:30 and 7 p.m. weekdays and from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays. Group classes will be 50 minutes long and private instruction will be given in 30-minute sessions.

Students may take any combination of classes, Miss Epling explained. Ten weeks of private instruction will be $90 per student. Private instruction and either music theory or music appreciation/history class will be $120 per student for the 10-week program.

The cost of 10 weeks of group performance class will be $40 per student and the beginning strings class will be $70 per student. Any single class—excluding private lessons and the beginning strings class, will be $40 per student.

Marshall launched its Preparatory Music Program last spring with a two-fold purpose—to create an appreciation of music and to assist student musicians in their professional development, according to Department Chairman Paul Balshaw.

Additional information on the program may be obtained by calling Miss Epling at the MU Music Department, 304-696-3117.

Tickets for 'Dracula' go on sale Monday

Rehearsals are under way for "Dracula," Marshall University Theatre's first production of the 1981-82 season, which opens a four-night run on Wednesday, Oct. 7, in Old Main Auditorium.

Reserved seat tickets at $2.50 each will go on sale Monday, Sept. 28, at the University Theatre Box Office, located in Old Main 107. The box office hours are noon to 4 p.m. weekdays. Reservations may be made by calling the box office at 696-2306.

"With Halloween on its way, this dramatization of the romantic vampire legend is most appropriate fare for this time of year," said Dr. William G. Kearns, MU associate professor of speech and director for the show.

"When Bram Stoker published his novel, 'Dracula,' he probably never thought it would become perhaps the most famous Gothic horror story of all time," Kearns said.

"The role of Count Dracula brought fame in the 1930s and 1940s to Hungarian actor Bela Lugosi, who portrayed the vampire on stage and in films. More recently, Frank Langella rose to star status through his characterization of the elegant and evil Count Dracula in a late-1970s Broadway revival of the classic horror tale. Langella repeated his role in the film version," Kearns continued.

Yvea Duncan, Logan sophomore, will play Lucy Seward, the count's intended victim, with Jeffrey Perhacs, Weirton sophomore, as Dracula and Craig Johnson, Huntington junior, as Jonathan Harker.

Dr. Seward, Lucy's father, will be played by Mark Swann, Huntington junior, while Dan Henthorn, New Martinsville sophomore, will portray his colleague, Dr. Van Helsing.

Proud of a family members' 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" is another channel open to you. Send your information to Judith Casto, University Relations, Old Main 102.

Personnel Personal

Emily W. Wells, daughter of Jane Wells, assistant professor of English, is a graduate assistant in the English Department. Emily is a 1981 summa cum laude graduate of Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio, where she also was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and was awarded High Honors in English.
MU faculty and staff achievements, activities...

DR. ROBERT J. GREGORY, assistant professor of counseling and rehabilitation, received his West Virginia license as a psychologist on July 1.

DR. CAROLYN KARR, professor of social studies, spoke at the West Virginia meeting of the National Endowment for the Humanities on Sept. 11. The topic of her speech was “Integrating the Humanities into the Social Sciences.” Among the guests at the meeting were Joe Duffey, NEH director; Governor John D. Rockefeller.

MCIE elects new officers

John H. Miller, assistant professor of modern languages, has been elected president of the Marshall Council for International Education (MCIE), a subcommittee of the Academic Planning and Standards Committee.

Other officers for the current academic year are Dr. Ralph E. Oberly, assistant professor of physics and physical sciences and department chairman, vice president, and Dr. Karen L. Simpkins, assistant professor of sociology/anthropology, executive member-at-large. Dr. Thomas Manakil, professor of physics and physical sciences, is the immediate past president.

Mrs. Charlotte Turley Loy, widow of Melvin P. Loy, dies

Services were held Tuesday, Sept. 22, for Mrs. Charlotte Turley Loy, 91, of Huntington, who died Sept. 19. Burial was in Ridgelawn Memorial Park.

Mrs. Loy was the widow of Melvin P. Loy, a former MU Biology Department chairman, and was president of the Faculty Wives for two terms. From 1960 until 1975, she served as an American mother to the international students at Marshall.

Mrs. Loy, a native of Madison, was a graduate of the Greenbrier Girls School at Lewisburg and Marshall. She was a member of the state and national Retired Teachers Association and founded the Book Reviewers Club.

She is survived by a daughter, Ann L. Peters of Walnut Creek, Calif., and two grandchildren.

Children’s cast auditions for ‘Sound of Music’ slated tonight

Auditions for children’s roles in the cast of “The Sound of Music” will be held today (Sept. 24) from 6 to 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

The Rogers and Hammerstein musical will be presented Nov. 18-22 by the MU Speech and Music departments. The cast calls for seven children: two boys, ages 11 and 14, and five girls, ages 6, 7, 9, 13 and 16, according to Dr. William Denman, associate professor of speech, who is stage director for the production. J.D. Folsom, assistant professor of music, is music director.

Excused absences...

Absences have been excused by the respective college deans for the following:

SEPT. 11, SEPT. 15—Women’s Volleyball Team.
SEPT. 16—Women’s Golf Team.
SEPT. 17—Varsity Football Team.