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Justice appoints three to Board of Governors

West Virginia Gov. Jim Justice has appointed three people to the Marshall University Board of Governors.

Woodrow Duba of Daniels, James L. Farley of Cincinnati and Patrick J. Farrell of Huntington will serve four-year terms ending June 30, 2021.

Duba is the general manager of Beaver Coal Co. Ltd. in Beckley and succeeds Dale Lowther on the board. Farley, who replaces Phillip Cline, is president of Nursing Care Management of America Inc. in Cincinnati. Farrell owns Service Pump & Supply in Huntington and succeeds Edward Howard III.

Marshall President Jerome A. Gilbert thanked Lowther, Cline and Howard for their service, saying, "In my year-and-a-half as president, I have come to know and respect the members of our board. These three gentlemen devoted their time and energy to Marshall University and have truly been an integral part of this institution's success in recent years."

He said he also looks forward to welcoming the three new members to the board.

"I applaud Gov. Justice for making excellent appointments. They each bring a valuable skill set to the board and I look forward to working with each of them," Gilbert added.

Marshall to begin use of TimeClock Plus next month



Effective Thursday, Aug. 17, Marshall University's Offices of Payroll and Human Resource Services will implement TimeClock Plus (TCP), a new time and attendance system for all employees. The use of TCP will eliminate the use of the purple paper time sheets. These changes will not affect MURC or other non-state employees.

Benefits of TCP include:

- Employees can request time off electronically from the new system.
- Employees can keep track of accrued annual and sick leave from the new system.
- Employees can monitor accrued annual and sick leave from a mobile device or desktop computer.

Bruce Felder, director of human resources, said the new system will not affect when employees get paid.

"This new system allows for more accurate tracking of employee time," Felder said. "With fewer mistakes and elimination of human error, we will increase efficiencies and process payroll faster."

Felder said a TCP expert will be on site to give training on the functionality of the system. All employees are encouraged to attend a general information and demonstration session during one of the following days/times:

- July 24, 1:30 p.m., Memorial Student Center, BE-5
- July 25, 9 a.m., Memorial Student Center, BE-5
- July 26, 5 p.m., Memorial Student Center, BE-5

More advanced training will be provided to the leave coordinators and supervisors to learn the new system during this same week. All questions will be answered during these sessions. If you have further questions, contact human-resources@marshall.edu or call 304-696-6455.

Biweekly pay conversion expected to start Sept. 15

The conversion to biweekly pay is planned for the first biweekly paycheck to be issued on September 15, 2017 for the pay period of August 17, 2017 through September 1, 2017. Please continue to check the Pay Changes website for additional information regarding the conversion as it becomes available.

Career Services receives Enterprise grant for student internships



Marshall University Career Services recently received a \$2,000 grant from the Enterprise Holdings Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Enterprise Holdings, which operates the Enterprise Rent-A-Car, National Car Rental and Alamo Rent-A-Car brands through its integrated global network of independent regional subsidiaries.

The grant will be used to fund four student internships at local non-profit agencies, according to Debby Stoler, assistant director for development and outreach in Marshall's Career Services Center.

"Our non-profit agencies in the Huntington area can provide valuable work experiences for our students who are interested in the non-profit sector. Unfortunately, these agencies do not always have funding to provide a paid internship," Stoler said. "This grant will allow four Marshall students to have a four-week paid internship in the non-profit sector."

According to Stoler, Enterprise Rent-A-Car has provided and continues to provide internship and entry level employment opportunities to Marshall students.

"Enterprise has a top-notch program. They offer an exciting and progressive career path for those students and graduates who are passionate about a career in sales and management," Stoler said.

Staff in the Career Services Center plan to have everything in place to offer these internships in the fall semester. The internships will be posted to Marshall JobTrax, and students will be able to apply through their JobTrax accounts.

For more information, contact the university's Career Services Center at 304-696-2370 or by emailing career-services@marshall.edu.

Photo: Marshall University Career Services recently received a \$2,000 grant from the Enterprise Holdings Foundation. Enterprise representative Jeff Green (right) presented the check to Denise Hogsett, director of the Office of Career Education, earlier this week.

Elsayed recognized as July Fellow of the Month



The Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine has selected Ahmed G. Elsayed, M.D., as the July Fellow of the Month.

"It is always an honor to acknowledge a resident or fellow for their dedication to our profession," said Paulette Wehner, M.D., vice dean for graduate medical education at the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine. "Today, I have the privilege of recognizing Dr. Elsayed as our first hematology/oncology fellow of the month."

Elsayed was nominated by co-fellows Heather Katz, D.O., and Jennifer Dotson, D.O., who both praised him as "an example of an excellent physician—one who is highly regarded among both his patients and his peers.

He goes above and beyond to help both patients and co-fellows alike. As co-fellows, we have seen that Dr. Elsayed leaves a lasting impact on his patients, as they continually compliment his kindness and compassion toward them, while they fight some of their hardest battles."

Elsayed is completing his third and final year of the hematology/oncology fellowship. He completed an internal medicine residency at Texas Tech University and graduated from the Mansoura University Faculty of Medicine in Egypt. The board-certified physician also has a Master of Science from Drexel University and practiced general internal medicine in Las Cruces, New Mexico, prior to starting his hematology/oncology fellowship at Marshall. Maria Tria Tirona, M.D., FACP, who is the fellowship program director, said she is very pleased and proud he was awarded the distinction.

"Dr. Elsayed has shown consistent exemplary professionalism and compassion as a hematology and oncology fellow," Tirona said.

The hematology/oncology fellowship is the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of blood diseases (hematology) and cancer (oncology) and requires prior completion of a three-year internal medicine residency. As part of his recognition as the July Fellow of the Month, Elsayed received items including a plaque and a designated parking spot.

Photo: Ahmed G. Elsayed, M.D. (right), is congratulated by Maria Tria Tirona, M.D., FACP, hematology/oncology fellowship program director, on being named the July Fellow of the Month at the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine.

Marshall wraps up 2017 Governor's School for the Arts



More than 100 West Virginia students between their sophomore and junior years were immersed in the Governor's School for the Arts at Marshall University. The audition-based school began June 25 and ended July 15.

The school, which was initiated in 1994 by then-Gov. Gaston Caperton and State Superintendent of Schools Dr. Henry Marockie, now focuses on teaching exceptional high school students in the disciplines of dance, instrumental music, theatre, visual arts, vocal music, creative writing and digital media.

"Our theme this year [was] 'Communities Collaborating Through the Arts,' and that interconnectedness is something we hope that students will catch sight of," Dreama Pritt, Governor's School for the Arts associate dean and English instructor at Marshall, said.

"It's like a little artistic enclave with so many like-minded people, interacting in their arts and other arts," Daniel Coffield, a creative writing student from Charleston Catholic High School, said. He said he hopes to major in creative writing, physics or astronomy in the future.

David Snider, a digital media arts student from Parkersburg High School, echoed sentiments of inclusivity. "The camaraderie amazes me every day, being with other artists and the bonding that I've experienced with everyone here," he said. Snider said he has plans to study software engineering at Duke.

Last fall, high school sophomores applied to be accepted and then were selected following statewide auditions in January. According to the 2017 goals, the school aims to develop stronger artists, empower students with collaborative skills, and introduce students to strategies that employ the arts to positively influence communities.

"This artistic experience shows how you can integrate the arts into everyday careers," Manavi Anantula, a Morgantown High School junior studying instrumental music, said. She said she will study piano performance in college.

"Marc Harshman, West Virginia's poet laureate, told me recently that 'GSA is the best thing the state of West Virginia does,' and I think he is right," Pritt said. "The arts raise us up."

Currently hosting the Governor's School for the Arts for the third time, Marshall will be the location for the school again in 2018 and 2019.

Visit the Governor's School for the Arts on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram at the handle @wvgsa2017.

Photo: (From left) Tia Walkup, Nathan Cubellis, and Anna Lynch perform during the Governor's School for the Arts.

Marshall team serves 2,100 patients on Honduras medical mission



Volunteers from the Marshall community spent a week vaccinating and treating thousands of patients on its annual "Herd for Honduras" medical mission trip.

The team, which included 66 medical and pharmacy students, clinical faculty, residents, undergraduate students and other health care

professionals, treated 2,133 patients during five days of clinics in and around La Esperanza, Honduras. The group came prepared with 55 boxes of supplies to treat a vast array of conditions—from sexually transmitted diseases to seizures to severe glaucoma to a machete wound—for patients of all ages.

"This year, we focused on preventive medicine and follow-up care," said Leah D. Stalnaker, a rising fourth-year medical student at the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine and one of the trip's organizers. "They don't have access to many of the medications we have in the States, so we felt like education on managing their conditions would be more valuable long term."

The team administered TDap vaccinations to protect patients against tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis. Preventive care also included providing more than 160 water filtration systems to Honduran families. The systems are designed to last up to 10 years and can help prevent the spread of waterborne illnesses and parasites.

In addition to general medicine, the team also provided specialized ophthalmology, dentistry and gynecology care. A gynecology team hosted a clinic for annual exams and performed a variety of surgeries. The team also provided follow-up care for patients who received abnormal Pap smear results during a different medical brigade visit.

During the last two years, Herd for Honduras partnered with Lions Club International, whose local affiliates at Club De Liones La Esperanza help organize accommodations for the Marshall group, serve as guides during the trip, schedule clinics and advertise the medical services provided by the brigade throughout local communities.

Thanks to the Lions Club partnership, Herd for Honduras also has a reliable way to help ensure its Honduran patients receive the follow-up care they need. The club connects patients with local physicians and/or other medical brigades that visit the area and facilitates transportation as needed.

"90 percent of the general medicine cases we saw were simple problems that could be easily treated in our clinic or managed with proper patient education," Stalnaker said. "For the 10 percent who suffered serious conditions, the Lions Club helped them get hospital treatment and/or follow-up care."

Now in its ninth year, the annual Herd for Honduras medical mission trip carries on the legacy of the late Dr. Paul Ambrose and his passion for global/public health. Ambrose was a 1995 graduate of the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine who was killed in the September 11, 2001, terror attacks.

This trip is made possible through an endowed fund that bears Ambrose's name and the generous support of his parents, Dr. Kenneth and Sharon Ambrose; other community supporters, including Cabell Huntington Hospital, which donated medications for the trip; and various student-led fundraising initiatives.

Photo: More than 65 medical and pharmacy students, clinical faculty, residents, undergraduate students and other health care professionals from the Marshall University community volunteered for the annual "Herd for Honduras" medical mission trip.

New medical residents and fellows begin training at School of Medicine



Newly graduated from medical schools and programs all over the world, 75 medical residents and fellows began their medical training at Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine July 1.

The new cadre of physicians participated in a week-long orientation in late June, learning everything from electronic medical records systems, emergency protocols, patient safety, quality assurance and blood-borne pathogens training to more basic information about ID cards and parking.

Marshall has residency programs in family and community health, dental, internal medicine, medicine/pediatrics, obstetrics/gynecology, orthopaedic surgery, pediatrics, psychiatry and surgery.

Additionally, fellowship training programs are offered in sports medicine, cardiology, endocrinology, interventional cardiology, hematology-oncology, nephrology and pulmonology.

In total, there are 206 trainees at Marshall's School of Medicine who work with physicians at the school's partner hospitals including Cabell Huntington Hospital, St. Mary's Medical Center, the Huntington VA Medical Center, Mildred Mitchell-Bateman Hospital and River Park Hospital, among others.

Residency training is additional education following graduation from medical school, and lasts from three to seven years. Completing an approved residency is required to practice medicine in the United States. A fellowship is specialized training following residency.

Marshall graduate chosen for inaugural Impact WV Fellowship



Marshall University alum and Putnam County native Jacob Howell has been chosen as one of eight recipients of the first class of Impact WV Fellows.

Howell, who graduated from Marshall in May 2017 summa cum laude, majored in computer and information technology. The fellowship, a yearlong, paid opportunity that pairs students with local nonprofits, is designed to attract young

talent to stay and work in West Virginia by partnering them with companies throughout the state. This is the first year the fellowship has been offered.

During his time at Marshall, Howell was a member of the Honors College and served on the Honors College Curriculum Committee. He also was the 2013 winner of the WV Globaloria Game Development Contest, and has worked as an intern for both Huntington-based Lasso Games and Atlanta-based Adult Swim. As part of the fellowship, Howell will work with Core 10, a fintech (or financial technology) company based in both Huntington, West Virginia, and Nashville, Tennessee. He says he feels that the fellowship will allow him to expand his skill set and give back to his state:

"I'm grateful we now have this fellowship to help create career opportunities in the state and be a positive example of what West Virginians can accomplish," Howell said.

Howell worked with the Office of National Scholarships throughout the application process. Mallory Carpenter, the program manager of national scholarships for Marshall, said she is excited for Howell.

"It's wonderful to have a Son of Marshall in the inaugural Impact WV class!," Carpenter said. "We know our graduates have so much to offer the state, and we love to see them winning opportunities like this that really let them showcase their skills."

For more information on the Impact WV Fellowship, visit http://weimpactwv.org/.

Timothy Balch and Christine Lewis

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