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# WE ARE... MARSHALL®

The Newsletter for Marshall University

October 4, 2017

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## Monthly open houses resume today in Drinko atrium

Members of the university's senior management team will resume hosting monthly open house meetings this afternoon (Wednesday, Oct. 4) with members of the Marshall and Huntington communities, this year in a new location, the Drinko Library atrium on the 3rd floor.

The open houses are held from 3 to 4 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month.

“President Gilbert wants to continue to give students, faculty and staff an informal opportunity to drop in and discuss ideas, suggestions or concerns they have about Marshall,” said Ginny Painter, senior vice president for communications and marketing. “These receptions are also great for networking and meeting colleagues from across the university. Members of the Huntington community also are encouraged to stop in and provide input.”

Refreshments will be served.

For more information, contact [ucomm@marshall.edu](mailto:ucomm@marshall.edu).

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the  
**A.E. Stringer**  
Visiting Writers Series  
at Marshall University

two-day  
*Hispanic  
Heritage  
Month*  
CELEBRATION

featuring

**A cultural panel discussion: Building Comunidad Through Activism & the Arts**  
7 p.m. Wednesday, October 4  
Marshall University Visual Arts Center, 927 3rd Ave.

**Readings from visiting authors  
Carmen Giménez Smith and Dan Vera**  
7:30 p.m. Thursday, October 5  
Marshall University Visual Arts Center

Light refreshments will be served • All are welcome to these free events.

Sponsored by the Marshall University Honors College, Department of English, College of Liberal Arts, and the Office of Intercultural Affairs.



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## Visiting Writers Series to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with cultural panel discussion today, public readings tomorrow



The A.E. Stringer Visiting Writers Series of Marshall University invites members of the Marshall family and the community to participate in a two-day Hispanic Heritage Celebration. The event features a cultural panel discussion, “Building Comunidad Through Activism and the Arts,” as well as readings from visiting authors Carmen Giménez Smith and Dan Vera.

The panel discussion will begin at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 4, at Marshall’s Visual Arts Center, 927 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. Panelists will include the visiting writers, Smith and Vera, along with Monica Brooks, Marshall’s assistant vice president for information Technology, online learning and libraries and Gretel Toloza Alvarez, president of the International Hispanic Organization.

The second day of the celebration features public readings from the authors, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 5, at the Visual Arts Center.

All are welcome, and light refreshments will be served. The celebration is sponsored by the Marshall University Honors College, the Department of English, the College of Liberal Arts and the Office of Intercultural Affairs.

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**CRITICAL CONVERSATION:**  
**FREE SPEECH**  
**October 4 at Noon**  
**MSC BE5**  
Featuring speakers R.B. Bookwalter, Patricia Proctor, and Dan Hollis.  
Lunch will be provided.

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**WHAT CAN WE DO UNDER THIS RIGHT?**  
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Program Director 304 696 2767 or email [schulenberg@marshall.edu](mailto:schulenberg@marshall.edu).








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## Payroll issues reminder regarding 10/13 and 10/27 paydays

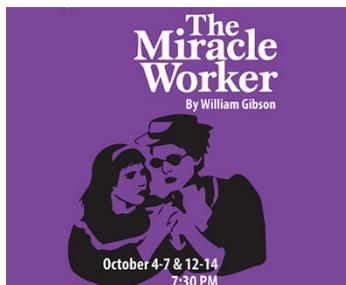
Just as a reminder....

12 month Faculty and Exempt Staff paid over 12 months will have their first 1/26 annual salary check paid on 10/27. This will result in lower net pay. The 10/13 pay will still be 1/24 of the annual salary. Please visit [www.marshall.edu/paychanges](http://www.marshall.edu/paychanges) for further information.

This will complete the bi-weekly pay conversion.

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## Marshall theatre opens season with play based on Hellen Keller's autobiography



Marshall's 2017-2018 theatre season will begin with "The Miracle Worker" by William Gibson. The opening show will play at 7:30 p.m. nightly Wednesday, Oct. 4, to Saturday, Oct. 7, and Wednesday, Oct. 11 to Saturday, Oct. 14, in the Francis-Booth Experimental Theatre in the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center on Marshall's Huntington campus.

The play, which is adapted from Helen Keller's autobiography, "The Story of my Life," won Gibson the Tony Award for Best Play in 1960. This classic tells the

story of Annie Sullivan and her student, blind and mute Keller. “The Miracle Worker” dramatizes the volatile relationship between the lonely teacher and her charge.

Trapped in a secret, silent world and unable to communicate, Keller is violent, spoiled, almost sub-human and treated by her family as such. Only Sullivan realizes that there is a mind and spirit waiting to be rescued from the dark, tortured silence. With scenes of intense physical and emotional dynamism, Sullivan’s success with Keller finally comes with the utterance of a single, glorious word: “water.”

Tickets range from \$7 to \$20. Marshall students are admitted with a valid MUID. For information, call 304-696-2787.

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The graphic features a dark background with a network of white nodes and lines. On the left, there is a green padlock icon with a white hashtag symbol (#) inside. To the right of the padlock, the word "CyberAware" is written in a large, white, sans-serif font. Below this, the text "OCTOBER IS NATIONAL CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS MONTH" is written in a bold, orange, sans-serif font. To the left of this text, there is a smaller line of text: "Follow @MarshallU\_IT and #CyberAware for tips on how to stay safe and secure on the internet." At the bottom right, there is a green square containing a white outline of the Marshall University 'M' logo with the word "MARSHALL" written across it. Below the logo, the URL "www.marshall.edu/it/ncsam" is written in a small, white, sans-serif font.

## National Cyber Security Awareness Month

### Check out our weekly NCSAM topics here!

The Marshall University Information Technology (IT) department is participating in National Cyber Security Awareness Month (NCSAM) to raise the Marshall community awareness of cyber security issues. Throughout the month of October, Marshall IT will be sharing information from the national campaign on [Twitter](#) and the [main IT website](#) as well as articles in the weekly campus newsletters [WeAreMarshall](#) and [HerdHappenings](#).

This is the fifth year in which Marshall IT has participated in national cyber security awareness events. We welcome this opportunity for our team to share practical advice on information security with our campus community. We know the Marshall campus community are concerned about online threats. So now we can share information about how they can protect not only

themselves but also the campus against cyber-criminal activity. We believe you will find each of the weekly topics to be helpful and welcome any feedback in how those messages can be improved.

National Cyber Security Awareness Month began 13 years ago as a collaborative effort between government and industry to ensure every American has the resources they need to stay safe and secure online. NCSAM is celebrated across the country each October under the leadership of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the National Cyber Security Alliance.

Different cyber security issues will be addressed each week including basic online safety and security, workplace cyber security, recognizing and combating cyber crime, our continuously connected lives and what to do if you are a victim of cyber-crime.

We know folks in the Marshall community have a lot of questions about cyber security. Use of technology is a part of our everyday lives – both professionally and personally. Are you concerned when hearing reports in the news of yet another hacker security breach? Does the growing number of smart-devices in our lives put us and others at risk? Participation in National Cyber Security Month provides us with a number of opportunities to share a wide variety of resources which will help you gain a better understanding of cyber security and provides some simple steps you can take to protect yourself.

For more information about NCSAM, visit [www.staysafeonline.org/ncsam](http://www.staysafeonline.org/ncsam). You are also invited to follow and use the hashtag **#CyberAware** on Twitter throughout the month.

Previous years topics:

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## Trowbridge to give keynote address at Virginia Preservation Conference



Marshall University's David Trowbridge, an associate professor of history and creator of the Clio history app, has been invited to serve as a keynote speaker at the Virginia Preservation Conference Friday, Oct. 6, in Petersburg, Virginia.

The theme of this year's conference is partnerships, and Trowbridge has worked with Preservation Virginia leaders and members to create heritage tourism resources using Clio (<http://www.theclio.com>). Clio is an educational website and mobile application that guides thousands of people to nearby historic sites and offers information from hundreds of universities, historical societies, museums and libraries. Preservation Virginia members are working with

Trowbridge and local historians to create heritage tourism trails and walking tours throughout Virginia. The first of these heritage trails highlights the history of Petersburg, the site of this year's conference.

A Huntington resident, Trowbridge joined Marshall University in 2008 after earning his Ph.D. from the University of Kansas. Along with teaching, he serves as director of African and African American studies in Marshall's history department, housed in the College of Liberal Arts.

The Virginia Preservation Conference is held in partnership with the Virginia Department of Historic Resources.

Along with discussing the benefits of collaboration, this year's topics at the Virginia Preservation Conference will include historic preservation, tourism and community revitalization. Learn more at <https://preservationvirginia.org/programs/annual-conference>.

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## Message from Physical Plant: Power outage Oct. 15 for Huntington campus

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On Sunday, Oct. 15, AEP will be setting a new transformer in the alley between the Physical Plant Building and Fat Patty's, which will result in loss of power. The project will start at approximately 6:30 a.m. There is no guaranteed information on how long this will take, but they are estimating that they will be completed around 1 p.m.

Please call Facilities Planning and Management with any questions at 304-696-6415. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

Thank you,

Randy Vaughn  
Jeff Pratt

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## Local restaurant hosts live Marshall jazz

Beginning this month, visitors to The Press Club can enjoy the sounds of jazz from Marshall's School of Music every other Wednesday at 8 p.m. This month, performances will be this evening, Oct. 4, and Oct. 18.

Jacob Lambert, a music education major, said the events are in cooperation with the school's jazz program and the venue and will allow the community, students, faculty and special guests to perform with the establishment's all-student combo and enjoy improvisational jazz.

"I feel there is a disconnect in Huntington between the local music scene and the university's music program," Lambert said. "My idea for jazz night is what I think could bridge the gap."

"With the collaboration of Dr. Martin Saunders, director of jazz studies, a small group of jazz studies students have joined together to perform at the up-and-coming, intimate music venue in Huntington, The Press Club," Lambert said.

The performances at 1212 Fourth Ave. are free to the public. Those who wish to perform should contact Lambert at [lambert200@marshall.edu](mailto:lambert200@marshall.edu) for more information.

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## From the Alumni Relations Office: sign your office up for the Homecoming decorating contest!



**MARSHALL UNIVERSITY HOMECOMING 2017**

judging takes place on Thursday, Oct. 12.

Homecoming is almost here and we want to see your Herd pride! The annual Homecoming Office Decorating Contest is once again scheduled for Homecoming Week and this year is anticipated to be the biggest ever. With the theme of "Overthrow the Monarchs," a fun play on the Game of Thrones franchise, the Office of Alumni Relations wants to see your best dragons, iron thrones and more when

Judging will be done in three categories: creativity, attractiveness and theme, with prizes going to the best in each category. An overall winner will be determined by the judges and will receive the coveted Marco Trophy.

[CLICK HERE](#) to register your office for all of the fun or contact Larry Crum in alumni relations at 304-696-3134 with any questions

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**OVERTHROW THE MONARCHS**

**MARSHALL UNIVERSITY HOMECOMING 2017**

*Homecoming party open to all!*

**PICNIC ON THE PLAZA**  
**Friday, Oct. 13**  
Memorial Student Center Plaza.  
**11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**

\*Free Lunch! \*Free Drinks & Snacks! \*Dance with Bravo~Live DJ!  
\*Enjoy performances by the Marching Thunder, cheerleaders, Chamber Choir and other special guests \*Special awards and prizes!

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Any Marshall offices or organizations that wish to have a table at the Picnic on the Plaza can register at the following link: <http://www.herdalum.com/s/1269/index.aspx?sid=1269&gid=1&pgid=1008>.

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## Marshall kicks off United Way workplace campaign with breakfast celebration tomorrow; Jan Rader to serve as keynote speaker



Marshall University will kick off its annual United Way workplace campaign Thursday, Oct. 5, with a breakfast celebration in the university's Don Morris Room. A free breakfast buffet will be served. Tickets can be requested by contacting [archer15@marshall.edu](mailto:archer15@marshall.edu).

Jan Rader, first female fire chief in West Virginia and recent star of the new Netflix series Heroin(e), will serve as keynote speaker for the event. Laura Gilliam,

executive director for the United Way of the River Cities Inc., said Rader has many connections to their organization.

“It is exciting that Jan Rader is scheduled to speak – she’s an amazing person! The Mayor’s Office on Drug Control Policy, of which she was a part, is a member of CCSAPP, our substance abuse prevention partnership,” Gilliam said. “In addition, United Way is part of the new Faith Community United effort to provide support and education to the faith community as it deals with congregation members and the community at large who suffer with substance abuse disorder. Jan is a member of that group as well.”

Dr. Jerry Gilbert, president of the university, said the university’s partnership with United Way is a win-win relationship.

“By supporting organizations like United Way, we are choosing to advocate for our community’s most pressing problems. Over the years, United Way of the River Cities has provided funding for on-campus substance abuse prevention activities organized through CCSAPP,” Gilbert said. “We have faculty and staff that serve as volunteers for their various initiatives and in return, United Way has provided internships and work-study sites for our students.”

Gilbert said the kick-off breakfast, sponsored by his office, will give Marshall community members the opportunity to hear from representatives of the Huntington YMCA, Harmony House and Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Tri-State, which are just a few of the many United Way-funded partners.

The United Way Breakfast will begin 7:30 a.m., Thursday, Oct. 5 in the university’s Memorial Student Center in the Don Morris Room. Raffle tickets will be sold for \$1 for the “Greening Gilbert” event in which one lucky winner will get to paint President Gilbert’s hair green at noon, Thursday, Oct. 26, on the Memorial Student Center plaza.

Marshall’s workplace campaign will include additional special events until its conclusion Nov. 6. To learn more about future events aimed at raising funds for the university’s workplace campaign, visit [www.marshall.edu/unitedway](http://www.marshall.edu/unitedway).

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*Photo:* A native of Ironton, Ohio, Jan Rader joined the Huntington Fire Department in August of 1994. She is the first woman to reach the rank of Chief for a career department in the State of West Virginia. Since November 2014, Chief Rader has been serving as a member of the Mayor’s Office of Drug Control Policy. The purpose of this task force is to address drug addiction in Huntington and the surrounding communities and create a holistic approach involving prevention, treatment and law enforcement.

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## High Intensity Drug Trafficking Agency to present new overdose mapping program at MU Oct. 5

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Jeff Beeson, deputy director with the Washington Office of High Intensity Drug Trafficking Agency (HIDTA) along with Dr. Rahul Gupta, commissioner for the Bureau of Public Health and State Health Officer, and Chad Napier, the prevention coordinator for Appalachian HIDTA, will share an overview of a new program to help combat the overdose epidemic in the state.

The presentation on the new Overdose Detection Mapping Application Program (ODMAP) will take place at 1 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 5, in the Memorial Student Center's basement, room BE-5. Amy Saunders, director of student health education programs at the university, said elected officials, local law enforcement agencies, first responders and other public health agencies are encouraged to attend the event.

“Nationally, over 64,000 overdose deaths were reported in 2016, according to the National Institute of Drug Abuse (NIDA),” Saunders said. “Preliminary data from 2017 shows that these numbers are continuing to climb as the nation tries to find effective solutions to address the crisis.”

Many states in the U.S. have lacked a consistent method to track overdoses, both fatal and non-fatal, in real time across jurisdictions, which is necessary to mobilize the public health response that is needed and capable of addressing this issue within our communities, according to Beeson.

“The rate of fatal overdoses continues to increase at an alarming rate, climbing by 19% from 2015 to 2016 and remaining the leading cause of death for people under the age of 50. We must alter the way we look at responding to the nation's drug threat and begin treating it like an infectious disease,” Beeson said. “The ODMAP is a tool that links our public health and safety resources through data to maximize our resources in combatting this epidemic.”

The ODMAP is an effective tool that can help communities by providing real-time overdose surveillance data across jurisdictions to support public safety and health efforts to mobilize an immediate response to an overdose spike. It links first responders on scene to an easy mapping tool app that can help track overdoses to stimulate real-time response and strategic analysis across jurisdictions. No personal identifying information is collected on the victim or location.

“An innovative and robust partnership among the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, Office of Drug Control Policy and HIDTA in making available the Overdose Detection Mapping Application Program within the state is critical to addressing this crisis,” Gupta said. “ODMAP will provide important and relevant data that can be used by law enforcement and public health officials to help identify specific communities and neighborhoods that are at increased risk of overdose deaths or overdose outbreaks.”

Gupta noted the pilot phases with multiple counties and states have shown that the application is effective in tracking fatal and non-fatal overdoses and spikes. To date, there are over 185

teaming agreements with groups using the app and hundreds of individuals interfacing with the system representing federal, state and local public safety, health and policy groups.

“We look forward to bringing this tool to more counties in West Virginia,” Gupta said.

To learn more about the ODMAP program, contact Beeson at the Washington/Baltimore HIDTA Office by e-mailing [jbeeson@wb.hidta.org](mailto:jbeeson@wb.hidta.org).

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## *Mental Health First Aid*

**Join the movement.**

**Friday, October 6th, 2017**

**Location:** Marshall University • 8:00am – 5:00pm  
Memorial Student Center, Room 2W22  
1 John Marshall Drive  
Huntington, WV 25755

**Register:** <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/adult-mental-health-first-aid-tickets-37873046301>

*Take a course. Save a life.  
Strengthen your community.*

CEU's will be provided for Nursing, Social Work, and Law Enforcement.

Sponsored by MU Wellness Center and the Department of Social Work.  
For more information, visit [www.MentalHealthFirstAid.org](http://www.MentalHealthFirstAid.org)  
or contact Amy Saunders, [saunde22@marshall.edu](mailto:saunde22@marshall.edu)



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The banner features a central graphic of two hands (one green, one blue) holding a globe. Below this, the text reads: "SIXTH ANNUAL MARSHALL UNIVERSITY UNITY WALK CELEBRATION". The event details are: "MONDAY, OCT. 9 | 4 P.M. • MEET @ THE REC CENTER • END AT BUSKIRK FIELD". A note says: "Bring your own banner and enjoy food, fellowship & fun following the walk! THIS EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE RAIN OR SHINE." At the bottom, it says: "For more information, contact Intercultural Affairs at [cooley@marshall.edu](mailto:cooley@marshall.edu)" and includes social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, and Instagram. A Marshall University logo is in the bottom right corner.

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## Biographer and journalist Wil Haygood to give lecture on Thurgood Marshall Oct. 11



Award-winning and internationally-known biographer and journalist Wil Haygood will deliver the *Amicus Curiae* Lecture “Thurgood Marshall’s Battle for Justice” at 7 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 11, in Brad D. Smith Foundation Hall on Marshall University’s Huntington campus.

This year marks the 50th anniversary of Thurgood Marshall’s 1967 confirmation to the United State Supreme Court. Haygood’s book, *SHOWDOWN: Thurgood Marshall and the Supreme Court Nomination that Changed America*, chronicles the furious battle to get Thurgood Marshall confirmed to the United States Supreme Court, where he became the first African American to serve on that court. Among other prizes, *SHOWDOWN* won the Scribes Book Award, given annually to the best book written on American law, and was a finalist for the Dayton Literary Peace Prize.

As Haygood will discuss in his lecture, titled “Thurgood Marshall’s Battle for Justice,” Marshall led a “singular life in pursuit of justice.” At the time of his nomination to the Supreme Court, Marshall was the nation’s leading civil rights lawyer, having handled cases including the seminal *Brown v. Board of Education* case that overturned the separate-but-equal doctrine and resulted in school desegregation. Haygood will discuss what “the undeniable reality of why Marshall and his vision of jurisprudence – from voting rights to women’s rights to fair application of law enforcement – is now more important than ever in our nation.”

Patricia Proctor, director of the Simon Perry Center for Constitutional Democracy, which sponsors the *Amicus Curiae* Lecture Series, said, “It is an incredible honor and fabulous opportunity to welcome Wil Haygood to Marshall University.”

Proctor said that Haygood’s exploits as a journalist could be the topic of an adventure novel. “As a war correspondent covering the civil war in Somalia, he was taken hostage by the rebels, and, thankfully, was later rescued,” she said. “He has been present at pivotal moments in history. He was one of the reporters who covered the 2008 Obama campaign, and later his presidency. He was present in South Africa to watch Nelson Mandela’s walk to freedom from the prison in which he was held for 27 years.”

During nearly 30 years as a journalist, Haygood was national and foreign correspondent for the *Boston Globe*, where he was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize, and a national writer for *The Washington Post*. His story “A Butler Well Served by this Election” was the basis for the 2013 award-winning motion picture, *The Butler*, and his book, *The Butler: A Witness to History*, has been translated into more than a dozen languages.

A *New York Times* bestselling author, Haygood has written seven books, including acclaimed biographies of Adam Clayton Powell Jr., Sugar Ray Robinson, and Sammy Davis Jr., and has been described as “one of America’s premier cultural historians.”

The *Amicus Curiae* Lecture Series is sponsored by the Simon Perry Center for Constitutional Democracy at Marshall University and supported by a grant from the West Virginia Humanities Council.

The third lecture of fall 2017 will be Thursday, Nov. 9, when Vanderbilt University Professor Dr. Marc Hetherington will deliver a lecture focused on political polarization in the United States, “Fixed World View or Fluid? Why Republicans and Democrats *Hate* Each Other.”

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## Marshall Recreation Center to offer swim lessons



The Marshall Recreation Center is offering swim lessons to students, faculty and residents of the Huntington area.

Registration is now open for Session 2, which runs until Oct. 26, and Session 3, which will run from Oct. 30 to Dec. 7. There will be no classes scheduled during the week of Thanksgiving.

The Marshall Recreation Swim School provides quality instruction in a safe environment, according to Cindi Tscherne, assistant director of aquatics and safety at the Marshall Recreation Center.

“It is an important life skill to learn to swim and it can also be very beneficial when it comes to saving lives in the water,” Tscherne said. “Instruction is available for all ages and ability levels.”

Swim lesson times and registration information are available at [www.marshallcampusrec.com](http://www.marshallcampusrec.com). The cost for the 5-week class includes a discounted fee for members of the Rec Center at \$40, and \$55 for non-members. Individuals can also register at the Marshall Recreation Center Pro Shop.

For more information on aquatics programs at the Marshall Recreation Center, contact Tscherne by phone at 304-696-3653 or e-mail [tscherne@marshall.edu](mailto:tscherne@marshall.edu).

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## Roy and Pam Tabb named 2017 Homecoming Grand Marshals



Marshall University alumni Roy and Pam Tabb, 1976 graduates of the university, will serve as co-grand marshals for the university's 2017 Homecoming events taking place Oct. 9-14.

Pam Galloway-Tabb is the Senior Vice President of Conferences and Special Services at the Freedom Forum/Newseum in Washington, D.C., while Roy Tabb is a Senior System Analyst for the District of Columbia Department of Human Services and a former member of the Young Thundering Herd.

Alongside the Newseum, Galloway-Tabb hosts the university's annual State of the University address each summer. She said both she and her husband were honored to be selected to lead this year's Homecoming festivities.

“It is a true honor. I know there are so many others that deserve this wonderful honor,” Galloway-Tabb said. “I just want to thank Dr. Jerry Gilbert and the amazing Marshall University staff for giving us both this opportunity. This weekend is a great opportunity to connect with old friends and enjoy the fantastic events that surround Homecoming.”

As part of the Homecoming festivities held on the Huntington campus each fall, the grand marshals have the special honor of leading the parade as it travels from downtown Huntington through the campus. The parade will take place at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12.

“We are so happy to welcome Roy and Pam back to Huntington to be a part of this year's Homecoming celebration,” said Matt Hayes, executive director of alumni relations. “I have known the Tabb family for many years and they are exceptional ambassadors of our university. We are so excited for all of the great events and activities planned for Homecoming 2017 and I know it will only be enhanced with their involvement and support.”

Many activities are scheduled for Homecoming 2017, including weeklong campus and student events, the Homecoming parade, alumni events and the Homecoming football game versus the Old Dominion Monarchs Saturday, Oct. 14 at 2:30 p.m.

This year's Homecoming theme is "Overthrow the Monarchs." More information on this year's Homecoming events can be found at [HerdAlum.com](http://HerdAlum.com).

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## Marshall's Anna Mummert named treasurer of Society for Mathematical Biology



Dr. Anna Mummert, an associate professor of mathematics in the College of Science, has been named treasurer of the Society for Mathematical Biology. Her term will run from 2017 until 2019.

As treasurer, she will be responsible for the society's finances and will serve on the board of directors. The Society for Mathematical Biology is an international professional organization founded in 1973 to promote research and education in the applications of mathematics to biology. With over 1,000 members from 45 countries, the organization publishes the *Bulletin of Mathematical Biology*, organizes an annual conference, sponsors research and travel grants, and recognizes prominent scholars in the field. Its next annual meeting will be in July 2018 in Sydney, Australia.

Mummert's work in mathematical biology has focused on mathematical epidemiology and on water modeling. She has studied many aspects of the 2009 H1n1 pandemic flu and SARS. She also is a researcher on the Appalachian Freshwater Initiative Grant, which was awarded to Marshall in 2015 to study the effect of stressors on rivers in West Virginia.

Mummert earned her Ph.D. in mathematics at Pennsylvania State University. She has held visiting positions at schools including Michigan State University before coming to Marshall in 2008. She is assistant chair for undergraduate studies in the Department of Mathematics, and she has served on committees including the MU Women's Studies Advisory.



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## Business, government, academia come together to move West Virginia Forward



West Virginia's economy is in transition, and it will take a collaborative effort by business, government and academia to ensure revitalization instead of stagnation, leaders from all three areas said Sept. 27 in releasing a summary of findings of a study titled "West Virginia Forward: Maximizing our Opportunities for Prosperity."

[West Virginia Forward](#) is the result of a joint effort by [Marshall University](#), [West Virginia University](#) and the [West Virginia Department of Commerce](#). The study itself was conducted by McKinsey and Co. and funded through private contributions and foundations.

"We are happy to be part of this collaborative with WVU, the Department of Commerce and McKinsey," Marshall President [Jerome A. Gilbert](#) said. "We will work alongside the National Guard, Vision Shared, Imagine, the Business Roundtable, the Chamber of Commerce, Tech Connect and Discover the Real West Virginia Foundation.

"This partnership looks at West Virginia's assets from a global perspective and pairs them with economic trends we can leverage for future growth. It adds importance of working together to move West Virginia Forward."

WVU President [Gordon Gee](#) said, “We all need to be thought leaders on the major aspects of West Virginia’s economy. We are at a tipping point. We are in the midst of an economic crisis. This summary provides a reference in assessment, root cause analysis and development of solutions to address existing state’s challenges.

“This collaboration between Marshall University, West Virginia University and the West Virginia Department of Commerce was created to identify short-term and long-term projects to boost West Virginia’s economy,” he said during a news conference releasing the findings held at the State Capitol. Gee first [announced the project](#) at the West Virginia Chamber’s annual business summit.

“The governor’s initiative is clear: we need to create jobs,” Commerce Secretary Woody Thrasher said. “These findings can dramatically reshape West Virginia’s economy. If we adopt this plan, together we can create effective change. And Commerce is proud to be a part of it.”

In presenting the findings, Rob Alsop, WVU’s vice president of strategic initiatives, said, “The study was undertaken to help understand West Virginia’s strengths and opportunities and to identify initiatives that will provide the collaboration to achieve both short- and long-term success in revitalizing the economy, creating jobs and priming the state for success.”

Alsop lifted up tourism as an example of the research’s findings:

- West Virginia has an opportunity to capture higher income as well as older tourists.
- Adventure tourism options can be expanded in southern West Virginia.
- The eastern part of the state is ripe for second homes.
- The northern part of the state can be attractive to higher income retirees.

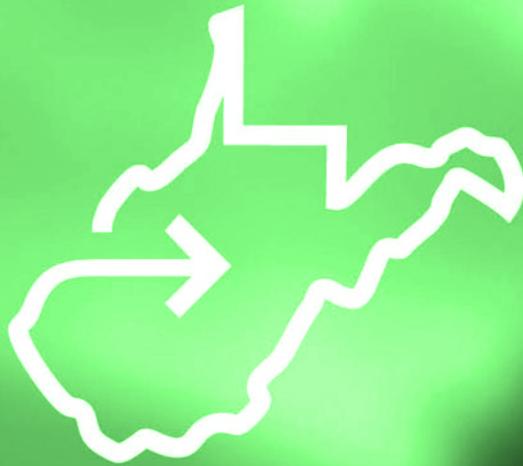
In addition to higher end tourism, other target areas include carbon fiber reinforced plastic, fine chemicals and cybersecurity, with many other potential ones.

Next steps include the signing of a memorandum of understanding among WVU, Marshall and Commerce; creation of a structure of accountability; engage communities to become active in the effort; and create implementation groups.

Four implementation groups are already at work: energy, business climate, human capital and entrepreneurship, Alsop said.

“West Virginia Forward’s implementation presents an opportunity to reverse the economic fortunes of the state and create momentum around a more diverse and resilient economy,” the report says. “Effective implementation will be a key determinant of such a success, and will rely on ensuring the required governance structure, partnerships, and stakeholder engagement processes are in place to achieve these aspirations.”

For more information, visit [www.marshall.edu/wvforward](http://www.marshall.edu/wvforward) or e-mail [wvforward@marshall.edu](mailto:wvforward@marshall.edu).



# WEST VIRGINIA FORWARD

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## HUNTINGTON AREA ART SOCIETY

**Wednesday, October 11**

*The Reliquary of Ste. Foy*

Presented by Rachel Danford, assistant professor of art history

**Tuesday, November 7**

*Glitch Art*

Presented by Daniel Dean, assistant professor of graphic design and digital media

**Wednesday, December 13**

*Impressionism Comes to America*

Presented by guest Christopher Hatten, Senior Curator, Huntington Museum of Art  
(this presentation is in the Visual Arts Center, 927 3rd Avenue)

**Seating is limited.**

Participants are invited to arrive early to enjoy conversation and optional refreshments. The School of Art & Design requests a \$10 donation, payable at the door. Checks should be made to Marshall University. Proceeds support Art & Design programming.

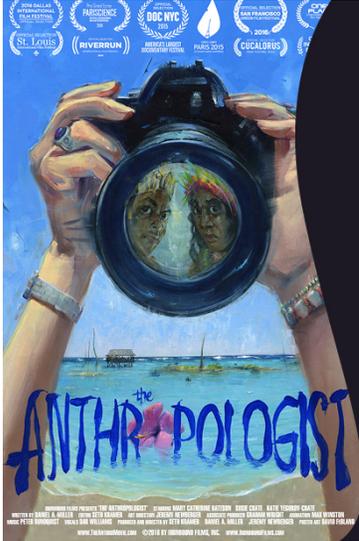
Open to all. Free with a current Marshall ID.

*[The Cellar Door;  
905 3rd Avenue, 6:30 pm  
unless otherwise noted]*



For more information about the Huntington Area Art Society, call the Marshall University School of Art & Design at 304-696-6760 or [art@marshall.edu](mailto:art@marshall.edu). Sponsored by the College of Arts and Media and the School of Art & Design.

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**DOCUMENTARY SCREENING  
& Q&A with CO-DIRECTOR SETH KRAMER**

**“The Anthropologist”**

This film examines the effect of climate change upon indigenous communities from the perspectives of teenager Katie Yegorov-Crate and her mother, Dr. Susie Crate, an environmental anthropologist and professor at George Mason University.

**7 P.M. THURSDAY, OCT. 12**

Smith Hall 154  
Marshall University

*Light refreshments will be served.*  
**THE SCREENING IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.**

*For more information, contact  
Dr. Walter Squire at [squirew@marshall.edu](mailto:squirew@marshall.edu).*



Supported by the West Virginia Humanities Council, and Marshall University Film Studies Program, Marshall University Libraries, the Honors College, and the Department of English.



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**Homecoming Parade and Bonfire  
Thursday, October 12 at 6:30 p.m.**

THE ANNUAL HOMECOMING PARADE WILL BEGIN IN DOWNTOWN HUNTINGTON and travel along 4th Avenue from 10th Street to Hal Greer Blvd. where it will move up to 5th Avenue to END AT HARLESS DINING HALL ON 17TH STREET. A pep rally and bonfire will take place immediately following the parade.



Parade start

Bonfire location



**#HerdHomecoming**

MARSHALL UNIVERSITY HOMECOMING 2017



[www.marshall.edu/homecoming](http://www.marshall.edu/homecoming)





## MARSHALL UNIVERSITY HOMECOMING 2017

You won't want to miss this opportunity to join the Marshall campus and Huntington community in celebration of the Thundering Herd and Homecoming 2017! The Marshall University [Alumni Association](#), Student Government Association, Office of Student Activities, Marshall University Black Alumni Association and Office of Intercultural Affairs are planning multiple events. During Homecoming, there is truly something for everyone.

It's your opportunity to wear your green, show your Marshall pride, reunite with old friends, make new friends, interact with alumni and students and reminisce about your days at MU. If you haven't been to the Huntington campus for a while, you will be amazed at the changes at your alma mater.

The Thundering Herd will take on Old Dominion on Saturday, October 14, 2017 during our Homecoming game in the Joan C. Edwards Stadium!



[Herd Homecoming 2017](#) from Herd Alum on Vimeo.

#HerdHomecoming

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**ALUMNI  
TAILGATE**  
Saturday, Oct. 14

Harless Field (5th Ave beside Harless Dining Hall)  
**11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**

**MARSHALL UNIVERSITY HOMECOMING 2017**  
*Join us for the King's Feast!*  
\*\$10 food and drinks \* Special appearances by the  
Marching Thunder, cheerleaders, Marco and other special  
guests \* Music by BRAVO~Live DJ, \*Tailgating games

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*Open to everyone in the community!  
Register at [TriStateRacer.com](http://TriStateRacer.com)*

**HOMECOMING  
STAMPEDE 5K**  
Saturday, Oct. 14  
**Begins at 8:00 a.m.**

**MARSHALL UNIVERSITY HOMECOMING 2017**  
FEATURING A FUN, NEW CAMPUS-CENTERED ROUTE  
\* Run begins at 8 a.m. from John Marshall statue  
\* Registration at 7 a.m. at Memorial Fountain  
\* \$15 pre-registration, \$20 day-of event and includes T-shirt  
\* Prizes and awards for various classes

*Proceeds to benefit Marshall scholarships*

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## Marshall to host Conference on Sermon Studies



Conference on  
Sermon Studies  
Oct. 19-21, 2017

Faith leaders and scholars from across the region and the nation are invited to Marshall University for a series of presentations and interfaith discussions relating to the theory and practice of preaching. The event takes place Thursday through Saturday, Oct. 19-21, at Drinko Library, Smith Hall and the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center on Marshall's Huntington campus.

Among the offerings are two featured events. First is a presentation by Marc Saperstein titled “Jewish Pulpit Responses to Nazi Persecution and Mass Murder, 1933-1945.” That will take place at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19, in Room 154 of Smith Hall. This presentation has been made possible in part by a grant from the West Virginia Humanities Council.

Also featured at the conference will be a performance by George Drance titled “\*mark: The Gospel of Mark written in the First Century.” It will be performed at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21, in the Francis-Booth Experimental Theatre at the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center. This performance is courtesy of the Edwards Visiting Professor in the Arts program at the College of Arts and Media.

Both Saperstein’s presentation and Drance’s performance are free and open to the public. The rest of the sessions will be in Drinko Library and are free to Marshall students, faculty and staff. Others are invited to participate in the conference for a fee of \$30 per day.

The Conference on Sermon Studies is meant to bring scholars and religious leaders together for interfaith dialogue, with an emphasis on the theory and practice of preaching. It is intended to be the first in a series of annual conferences, some at Marshall and others in other locations.

Additional support for the conference has been provided by the Center for Sermon Studies, the Department of English, the MU Bookstore, the Office of Intercultural Affairs and the MU Libraries.

Learn more at [http://mds.marshall.edu/sermon\\_conference/](http://mds.marshall.edu/sermon_conference/) or contact Ellison by e-mail at [ellisonr@marshall.edu](mailto:ellisonr@marshall.edu).

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[www.marshall.edu/wamnewsletter/October-4-2017](http://www.marshall.edu/wamnewsletter/October-4-2017).