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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Expressing a continuing resolve "to successfully establish a quality, fully accredited Social Work Program on the Marshall University campus," MU President Dale F. Nitzschke today asked the West Virginia Board of Regents to continue the Social Work program at Marshall.

He also asked that the university be permitted to file immediately for accreditation candidacy for the program with the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).

At the same time, Nitzschke recommended to Chancellor Thomas W. Cole Jr. that Marshall, West Virginia State College and West Virginia University, under guidance and coordination of the chancellor's office, "immediately undertake discussions as to the viability and desirability of establishing a cooperative program--fully accredited--on the Marshall University campus."

Nitzschke submitted a 17-page report on the Social Work Program to Cole and the Board of Regents in response to a May deadline established by the board staff to determine if the program should be continued.

"The rationale for my recommendation (for a two-pronged approach) is obvious," Nitzschke said in an accompanying letter to the chancellor. "We simply cannot await the outcome of one course of action or the other to begin anew if the first option selected should not be successful. Also, we would benefit from having a consultant of CSWE assisting us and advising us on both initiatives.

"In fact," he added, "the ultimate outcome might involve the best of both options."

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Application for accreditation candidacy status would give the program two years to prepare for and achieve accreditation working with the CSWE. Upon graduation, students would be eligible for the social work licensure examination although the program would not be accredited during that period.

A cooperative program with West Virginia State College and/or West Virginia University would have the added benefit of permitting students to graduate from an already-accredited program.

The report outlines the advantages and disadvantages of both options, as well as third option--discontinuance of the program. However, in his letter to Cole, Nitzschke said, "being without an accredited program on the Marshall University campus is not considered to be an appropriate option."

The Social Work Program has been the subject of discussion both on and off the campus for several months as the Board of Regents' May deadline approached.

In 1983-84, the Board of Regents' Baccalaureate Review Committee recommended the closing of the program because it could not be shown that it was viable and productive. An 18-month extension was granted during which the program was to demonstrate positive movement toward productivity and viability and to become accredited by CSWE.

A senior consultant from CSWE was enlisted to assist and submitted a plan designed to bring the program into line by 1985 and have it readied for the CSWE approval process. However, the program was not able to meet that timetable and requested a year's delay.

Subsequently, CSWE accreditation was sought in May 1986. The council reviewed the program's self-study report and decided to deny an on-site evaluation visit. An appeal of the decision was rejected.

By seeking accreditation candidacy status, the university will have an additional two years to work with the program and CSWE to bring it to CSWE standards, Nitzschke said.

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"We believe this program is important not only to the students enrolled in it and to the university, but to the entire region we serve," Nitzschke said. "We're going to continue to work with it until we achieve success."

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- To help the region's industries and students get a jump on new technology, the Marshall University Community College is introducing courses in two types of computer technology which are expected to revolutionize manufacturing: robotics and computer-assisted design.

Through a federal grant, Marshall has installed four robots and 20 computer-assisted design units costing nearly \$100,000. Students are now taking pilot courses, and the Community College will offer free seminars later this spring for area architectural, engineering, manufacturing and design firms interested in seeing how they could use these techniques in their companies.

"Right now, there are very few of these systems being used in our region, but we think that's going to change, and change quickly," says Community College Dean David Wilkin.

"People are realizing that yesterday's technology won't solve tomorrow's problems, and that we're going to have to update our technology to compete successfully in world markets," he said.

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"The factory of the future will be a highly automated, intensely robotic, computer-controlled enterprise. It will need skilled workers able to maintain, operate and use this equipment. This is our first step toward being able to train those workers."

The courses are part of Marshall's associate degree program in computer technology. "We're helping workers learn how to use and maintain these systems, rather than to perform the major design and engineering functions," he noted.

In a twist on the usual procedure, Marshall is taking the initiative in offering courses in this new area. Traditionally, schools wait until the technology is established in the region, companies ask for help, and needs assessments show the courses are needed -- a sequence that could take years.

"When technology is changing so fast, we can't afford to settle for 'followship,'" Wilkin says. "We must provide leadership. Already we're exploring the possibility of a full-scale Advanced Technology Center here in our region."

In the robotics courses, students will learn to control the robots and program them to do new tasks. With the small tabletop robots in the lab, students can learn the same skills they would need to direct large industrial robots.

Wilkin predicts that demand for workers familiar with computer-assisted design systems will soar in the region.

"These CAD systems have only recently become affordable for the average small business," he said.

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"Unfortunately, they still have the stigma of being too expensive. Although the early systems cost \$150,000, you can now get a good system -- which also has the capability to handle your word processing and other office needs -- for about \$7,000.

"Once the word really gets around to all the smaller businesses, we think there will be a lot of companies locally that will want to train their employees to work with these new systems," he added. "Certainly the demand should go up for new employees with these skills."

With CAD units, students can make or modify drawings in a fraction of the time needed by hand, Wilkin said. A whole project plan can be stored on one floppy disk.

"For example, students work with a plan of the space shuttle: they can look at something as large as the whole project, or zoom in on something as small as a handprint," he said. They can also separate out one system, such as the electrical wiring system.

Wilkin said that because of the CAD system's versatility, it already is being used by Marshall's Engineering and Art departments. CAD technology also could apply to many other departments, including journalism, physics and chemistry.



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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--After 19 years as chairman and professor of economics at Marshall University, Dr. Joseph S. La Cascia has announced his retirement effective April 17.

La Cascia, who has been on a leave of absence from Marshall, conducting labor market research in Florida, received his B.A. degree in economics from the University of the Americas, his M.A. in Spanish from Middlebury College and his Ph. D. in economics from the University of Florida.

His academic career spans 26 years of teaching and includes two Fulbright lectureships. He has written numerous articles and authored a book titled "Capital Formation and Economic Development in Mexico" which was published in 1969. He also founded the Mountain State Economics Association and served as its first president.

La Cascia and his family will reside in his native state of Florida.

Dr. Roger L. Adkins, associate professor of economics, has been named chairman of the MU Economics Department. He has been serving as acting chairman of the department for the past 18 months during La Cascia's leave of absence.

A native of Huntington, Adkins received his B.A. degree from Marshall in 1965, received his M.A. from Ohio University and his Ph. D. from Kansas State University.

A member of the Marshall faculty since 1981, Adkins previously taught at James Madison University, Marymount College of Kansas and Indiana University of Pennsylvania. He also taught one year at Marshall during 1967-68.

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He is a member of the American Economic Association, the Industrial Relations Research Association, the Midwest Economics Association and the Association for Comparative Economics. His areas of specialization include collective bargaining, the Soviet economy and United States economic competitiveness.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Three Marshall University education majors have been selected as recipients of scholarships under the Congressional Teacher Scholarship Program. They are Debra Kaye Fogus of Huntington, Catherine Annette Smith Rollyson of Ona and Karen Ann Neff of South Charleston.

The federally-funded program is designed to encourage outstanding high school graduates and college students to pursue teaching careers at the pre-school, elementary or secondary school level. Not to exceed \$5,000 per academic year, the scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic qualifications and interest in teaching.

West Virginia Governor Arch A. Moore Jr. designated the Board of Regents as the administering agency for the program and appointed a seven-member panel to develop selection criteria/procedures and select recipients.

The intention of the program is to enable the recipient to successfully complete a course of study to obtain a teaching certificate and to commit that individual to the pursuit of a teaching career.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--"Applications of Computer Graphics and Technical Presentations" will be the topic of a workshop presented by Alan Paller, one of the nation's top computer graphics experts, at Marshall University on Friday, April 24, in Memorial Student Center Room 2W22.

The program has been divided into two sections, according to Robert J. Lawson, director of continuing education at Marshall University's Community College.

In the first section, Paller will show participants how to make effective presentations and how to benefit from computer graphics.

"Every information processing professional, at some time, must speak to management, peers and users," said Lawson. "Those who do it well excel. This workshop provides proven techniques that will help make those presentations successful. The first section will focus on such issues as dealing with tough questions, making an audience want to believe you, and how to use visuals effectively."

The second section will teach participants how to make personal computers, mini-computers and mainframe computers into effective sources of graphic information.

Paller is president of AUI Data Graphics in Washington, D.C., and is a director of the National Computer Graphics Association, with responsibilities for education and training.

He has been computer graphics chairman for the National Computer Conference, the Federal Computer Conference and the National Computer

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Graphics Association. He is the author of more than 120 articles and several short books, and has helped design computer systems for more than 70 organizations including General Motors and the Central Intelligence Agency.

Paller earned engineering degrees from Cornell University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Major workshop sessions will include: "Presenting Yourself and Your Ideas," "Using Visuals for Maximum Impact," "Computer Graphics--Applications," "Computer Graphics--Hardware and Personal Computers" and "Graphics Software and Management."

The workshop will be limited to 25 participants. Registration and fees will be \$189 per individual or \$175 per individual for three or more persons from the same organization. Registration and fees will be \$205 per person after April 20.

"Normally, a seminar conducted by someone like Alan Paller, who has given presentations to 50 of the 100 largest corporations in the United States, would cost approximately \$595 per person," Lawson said. "We are able to offer it for less because the Community College is co-sponsoring the program with the Corps of Engineers and the Huntington Area Chamber of Commerce."

To obtain further details about the workshop contact Lawson at Marshall University's Community College, 696-3646.

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Motion picture producer John C. Fiedler, banking executive Richard D. Jackson, and retired Marshall professor Dr. Sam E. Clagg will be honored April 25 at the 50th annual Alumni Awards Banquet.

Fiedler, a producer and former president of Worldwide Production at Columbia Pictures, will be named the 1987 Distinguished Alumnus. Jackson, president and chief executive officer of Georgia Federal Bank in Atlanta, will receive the Community Achievement award.

Clagg, a member of the Marshall faculty from 1948 to 1986 who is now chairman of the Marshall Sesquicentennial Committee, will be honored with the Distinguished Service award.

A 1973 graduate, Fiedler was one of the first three Marshall students to graduate with a degree in theater arts. After a brief stay in New York City, he went to Hollywood where he began his motion picture career in 1975, working in commercials, educational and industrial films.

In 1976 he joined Technicolor as a senior executive in marketing, production and photographic services. He left Technicolor in 1979 to join Rastar Films, a subsidiary of Columbia Pictures, as vice president of production and development.

Fiedler became vice president, production, at Paramount Pictures in 1981. He returned to Columbia Pictures in 1984 as executive vice president of Worldwide Production and later was promoted to president.

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He has been involved in over 150 films and currently is working on several films. He is married to actress Bess Armstrong. He is a member of the board of directors of the Society of Yeager Scholars Foundation, Inc.

Jackson, a 1959 Marshall graduate, served eight years with the Marines where he attained the rank of major and won the Silver and Bronze Stars and the Cross of Gallantry for duty in Vietnam.

Jackson began his banking career in 1968. When he joined First Georgia Bank in 1974 as president and chief executive officer, the bank's assets were \$75 million. Today the bank has assets totaling over \$900 million.

On July 1, 1986, Jackson joined Georgia Federal Bank, the state's largest savings institution with assets of \$2.8 billion and one of the largest banking concerns in Georgia and the Southeast.

A former football player at Marshall, Jackson is now chairman of the board of directors of the Society of Yeager Scholars Foundation, Inc.

Clagg began his long relationship with Marshall as a student athlete in 1939, playing guard, end and blocking back on the Cam Henderson-coached football team. He was co-captain of the 1942 team.

During his Marshall career, he served as acting president from May 1983 to March 1984, was a professor and chairman of the Department of Geography, chairman of the University Council for 15 years, and served as the first faculty member on the West Virginia Board of Regents as chairman of the BOR Advisory Council of Faculty.

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He also was founder and the first coach of the intercollegiate wrestling team and was an assistant football coach for several years.

Clagg earned his A.B. degree from Marshall in 1942 and his M.A. degree in 1947. He is a veteran of 28 years' service with the Marines, retiring in 1970 as a lieutenant colonel.

The author of a dozen books, including The Cam Henderson Story and West Virginia Fact Bank, Clagg currently is writing a "pseudo-autobiographical-novel" about the Marines in the Pacific during World War II. He also is a cartographer.

He was designer and builder of the Henderson Center's clock, which hangs above the portrait of Henderson commissioned and paid for by Clagg.

Clagg is married to the former Frances "Punky" Steorts, a 1955 Marshall graduate. They have one daughter, Carmen Sue Watts, who graduated from Marshall in 1978.

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April 7, 1987

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--A panel discussion on "The Role of Religion in Personal Decision-Making: Obedience and the Right to Dissent" will be held at Marshall University Monday, April 13, at 7:30 p.m. in the Campus Christian Center.

Panelists will include Rev. Susan Carse-McLocklin, United Methodist campus minister at Marshall; Rev. Boyd McLocklin, Southern Baptist minister, and Sisters Barbara Ferraro and Patricia Hussey, Roman Catholic nuns (Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur).

Sisters Ferraro and Hussey recently received national attention when they refused to retract their signatures on the 1984 document titled "A Catholic Statement on Pluralism and Abortion," despite intense pressure from Roman Catholic officials.

Rev. Philip G. Browne, Episcopal chaplain at Marshall, will moderate the panel discussion.

The program is being sponsored by the Marshall University Women's Center, the United Methodist Campus Ministry and the Huntington chapter of the National Organization for Women. To obtain further details about the program contact the Marshall Women's Center, 696-3112.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--U.S. Senator Robert C. Byrd will host a "Defense Day" procurement conference at Marshall University Monday, April 13, MU Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs Robert F. Maddox said today.

The program, scheduled for Marshall's Memorial Student Center, will begin at 9 a.m. and continue until about 2 p.m. Marshall's Small Business Development Center is assisting in the arrangements.

"This conference represents a golden opportunity for business and industry officials, as well as local government representatives, to meet with representatives of the federal government on procurement matters," Maddox said. "In addition, Marshall's faculty and staff can benefit from discussion of the methodology of obtaining grants and contracts from various federal agencies."

Byrd said the conference will be open to all interested persons, free of charge.

He said representatives of the Office of the Secretary of Defense, Defense Logistics Agency, Army, Navy and Air Force will attend to provide pointers on military procurement business. Also, officials from the General Services Administration and the Small Business Administration will discuss how small businesses can bid on other government contracts for goods and services.

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"In addition to the procurement side of the conference, the U.S. Department of Commerce will have representatives present to talk with interested company officials about prospects of retooling their manufacturing lines for product diversification," Byrd said. "I have heard from several small businessmen about their desire to find additional, or alternative, products that could be manufactured in their plants. I am hopeful the Department of Commerce officials may be able to provide helpful information to the business executives on this important matter, or follow up after the conference with suggestions."

Byrd said similar conferences are scheduled April 14 in Monaville, near Logan, and at Bluefield State College on April 15.

Additional details may be obtained by calling Byrd's Charleston Office, (304) 342-5855, or his Washington Office, (202) 224-3954.



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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Journalism scholarships for students representing Wayne, Braxton County and Oak Hill high schools were presented Saturday during award ceremonies highlighting the 60th meeting of the United High School Press at Marshall University.

The \$500 scholarships -- for "most promising student journalist" -- were given to Steven J. Keith of Wayne High School, Lalena Diane Price of Oak Hill and Diana Long of Braxton County.

Intensive competition in more than 20 journalism-related areas resulted in 10 or more awards going to four West Virginia high schools, according to Professor Rebecca Johnson, director of the convention.

Wayne High School captured the most awards -- 14, with 5 of them ranking first in their categories. Other top winners were Parkersburg South, with 10 awards overall, 9 of them first places; Oak Hill, 11 awards, including 4 firsts; and Parkersburg High, 11 awards, with 2 firsts.

The convention, which began Friday with a series of workshops and critique sessions, is held annually under sponsorship of Marshall's School of Journalism. Saturday's activities included more workshops and meetings of the United High School Press's scholastic newspaper, Yearbook and broadcast journalism associations and the West Virginia Journalism Teachers Association.

"The purpose of these annual meetings is to help improve the quality of scholastic journalism in the state and region," said Dr. Deryl Leaming, School of Journalism director. "We're really pleased to have these students and their advisers on the Marshall campus -- and we think the results of this intensive weekend of talking journalism are quite positive."

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Nearly 300 students and advisers were expected for this year's meeting. The UHSP series began in 1927 when the association was established by Marshall's first journalism professor, Dr. W. Page Pitt.

At the UHSP awards luncheon, held at the Marshall Memorial Student Center, the following winners were cited:

Best newspaper art -- Division 1 (schools with fewer than 800 students)-- Wayne High, first place; South Charleston, second; Oak Hill, third.

Division 2 (schools with 800 or more students)-- Parkersburg South, first; Parkersburg, second; Herbert Hoover, third.

Best yearbook photography -- Division 1 -- Braxton County High, first; Burch, second; Valley, third. Division 2 -- Wheeling Park, first; Fairmont Senior High, second; Woodrow Wilson, third.

Best newspaper photography -- Division 1 -- Oak Hill, first; Pt. Pleasant, second; Milton, third. Division 2 -- Woodrow Wilson, first; Fairmont Senior, second; Reynoldsburg (Ohio), third.

Best original advertisements in a yearbook -- Division 1 -- Burch, first; Petersburg, second; Wayne, third. Division 2 -- Parkersburg High, first; Wheeling Park, second; (no third place award.)

Best original advertisements in a newspaper -- Division 1 -- Spencer, first; Huntington, second; Walton, third. Division 2 -- Parkersburg South, first; Mount View, second; Reynoldsburg, third.

Best newspaper feature or special events page -- Division 1 -- Oak Hill, first; Milton, second; Wayne, third. Division 2 -- Parkersburg South, first; Fairmont Senior, second; Parkersburg, third.

Best theme for "Class of 1987" yearbook -- Division 1 -- Braxton County, first; Wayne, second; St. Marys, third. Division 2 -- Wheeling Park, first; Parkersburg, second; Fairmont Senior, third.

Best newspaper newswriting -- Division 1 -- Oak Hill, first; Wayne, second; Pt. Pleasant, third. Division 2 -- Reynoldsburg, first; Mount View, second; Parkersburg and Fairmont Senior, tied for third.

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Best investigative reporting -- Division 1 -- Wayne, first; Walton, second; Pt. Pleasant, third. Division 2 -- Reynoldsburg, first; Parkersburg, second; Huntington East, third.

Best newspaper sports page -- Division 1 -- Wayne, first; Oak Hill, second; Pt. Pleasant, third. Division 2 -- Parkersburg South, first; Reynoldsburg, second; Parkersburg, third.

Best newspaper makeup -- Division 1 -- Wayne, first; Pt. Pleasant, second; Huntington, third. Division 2 -- Parkersburg South, first; Reynoldsburg, second; Wheeling Park, third.

Best editorial page -- Division 1 -- Pt. Pleasant, first; Oak Hill, second; Wayne, third. Division 2 -- Parkersburg South, first; Parkersburg, second; Reynoldsburg, third.

Best radio broadcast program -- (one division only) -- Wheeling Park, first; Buffalo (Wayne County), second; Johnson Central (Ky.) and Fairmont Senior, tied for third.

Best television broadcast program -- (one division only) -- Reynoldsburg, first; Barboursville, second; Wheeling Park, third.

Best all-around yearbook -- Division 1 -- St. Mary's, first, Braxton County, second; Wayne, third. Division 2 -- Fairmont Senior, first; Parkersburg South, second; Parkersburg, third.

Best all-around newspaper -- Division 1 -- Oak Hill, first; Wayne, second; Braxton County, third. Division 2 -- Parkersburg South, first; Huntington East, second; Woodrow Wilson, third.

Awards also were presented to winners of five contests sponsored by the West Virginia Press Women's Association. Top winners in each category have been entered in the National Federation of Press Women competition.

WVPW best newswriting contest -- Mike Escue of Pt. Pleasant, first; Melissa Price, Oak Hill, second; Steven Keith of Wayne and Scott Perdue, Oak Hill, tied for third.

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WVPW feature photo contest -- Robby Perry, Wayne, first; Scott Keffner, Oak Hill, second; Chris Hancock, Woodrow Wilson, third.

WVPW editorial writing contest -- Marcia Radabaugh, Parkersburg South, first; Becky Gatehouse, Oak Hill, second; Chris Dickenson, Wayne, third.

WVPW feature writing contest -- Vickie Bredon, Parkersburg, first; Mari Wolters, Parkersburg South, second; Lisa Daniel, Hurricane, third.

WVPW sports writing contest -- Laura Fleming, Parkersburg South, first; Kelly Shank, Parkersburg, second; Ted Kennedy, Spencer, third.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--"Is the Press Running the Country?" will be the topic of Marvin L. Stone, deputy director of the U. S. Information Agency, in a major address at Marshall University Monday, April 13.

Stone, former editor of U.S. News & World Report, will speak at 8 p.m. in the Morris Room, Memorial Student Center. A reception will follow in the nearby Shawkey Room.

Both events are open to the public according to Dr. Sam Clagg, Marshall Sesquicentennial chairman. Stone is one of four outstanding Marshall alumni invited to speak at the university during the year-long Sesquicentennial observance.

Clagg said Stone's address will be followed by a question and answer session with the audience.

"Marvin Stone has brought great honor to Marshall University over the years and we're very pleased he is able to play a significant part in the observance of our 150th anniversary," Clagg said. "Of all the distinguished journalism students who have emerged from Marshall, Marvin was perhaps the one closest to the legendary Page Pitt, founder of our School of Journalism. He has remained dedicated to Marshall through the years and has supported the university not only financially, but through his work with students. We're honored to have him return during this very special year."

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Stone's journalism career, which began with the Huntington Herald-Dispatch, spans 40 years and includes service with International News Service as well as 25 years with U.S. News & World Report.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- High school students from the Huntington and Parkersburg areas have been elected to key offices in statewide scholastic journalism associations.

The elections were held during the 60th annual meeting of the United High School Press at Marshall University last weekend. The organization is sponsored by Marshall's School of Journalism.

Dana Tomes of Huntington East High School was chosen as president of the United High School Newspaper Association, which is made up of students on the staffs of high school newspapers throughout the state and region.

Tracey Basham, also of Huntington East, was elected vice president and Jodi Thomas of Parkersburg South High School was named secretary.

The new president of the United High School Yearbook Association is Traci James of Parkersburg South High School. Vice president is Carrie Strader of Parkersburg High, and Jody Harris of Parkersburg South is secretary.

Elected president of the United High School Broadcast Journalism Association was Tim Barnes of Barboursville High School. John Varner of Wheeling Park High School was chosen vice president of the television and radio broadcast students' organization, and Tina Moorehead of North Marion High School was named secretary.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Theresa Barr Grant, Huntington High School journalism instructor, has been elected president of the West Virginia Journalism Teachers Association.

Ms. Grant's election came at the annual meeting of the United High School Press at Marshall University last weekend.

Other officers of the statewide association include Cathy Thomas of Parkersburg South High School, who was chosen vice president; and Carolyn McCune of Parkersburg High School, secretary.

The teachers' organization meets annually in conjunction with conventions of the United High School Press, which is sponsored by Marshall University's School of Journalism.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- Dr. Paul W. Whear, professor of music at Marshall University, has been chosen by fellow faculty members as the Spring 1987 representative in the school's Meet-the-Scholars Program, President Dale F. Nitzschke has announced.

"This award honors faculty scholars who represent Marshall's highest standard of research or creative excellence, and Paul Whear is a perfect recipient," Nitzschke said. "He is truly a resource to Marshall University and the entire state of West Virginia.

"He is nationally and internationally recognized as a composer -- in fact, he has been listed as one of America's top ten composers for bands. His works have been commissioned by many groups, including the Strategic Air Command, the U.S. Navy Band, and the American Guild of Organists.

"We'll probably be hearing one of his publications during the upcoming Winter Olympic Games," he added. "The city of Calgary, Alberta, in Canada has chosen his 'March Onward' as its official song, and the Calgary Symphony Orchestra has recorded it for use during the Olympics."

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Whear will be honored during an April 29 reception at Nitzschke's home, when he also will make a brief presentation about his work.

Dr. Christopher Dolmetsch, chairman of the Meet-the-Scholars search committee, says Whear is a credit to Marshall.

"He exhibits truly outstanding talent in a field which often goes unrecognized in the discussion of research, namely the creative arts and music," Dolmetsch said. "His numerous professional awards, his commissions, and his dedication to Marshall and to the Tri-State community made him an outstanding choice for recognition."

Whear, an Indiana native, originally planned to become a civil engineer. He earned bachelor's degrees from Marquette and DePauw universities, a master's degree from DePauw, and a Ph.D. from Western Reserve University.

He has been a guest conductor of professional orchestras in the United States and England, as well as of college or high school musical groups in 32 states, Canada, England and Japan. His professional activities last year included conducting his compositions at the International Music Festival in Quebec, Canada, and serving as a judge for the National Invitational Music Festival at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.

He is a consultant and editor for Ludwig Music Publishing Co., a member of the West Virginia Public Radio Advisory Board, and conductor of the Huntington Chamber Orchestra.

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He has been commissioned to compose music for Marshall University's Sesquicentennial Celebration. He also composed the musical epic "The Chief Justice John Marshall" for the U.S. Bicentennial.

The Meet-the-Scholars Program award carries with it a plaque and \$1,000 from the Marshall University Foundation.



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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Fifty-one Marshall University faculty members have been selected to work with the Society of Yeager Scholars program as Yeager Professors.

Announcement of the four-year appointments, running until 1991, was made today by MU Vice President for Academic Affairs Carol A. Smith.

The faculty members will teach seminars designed for students enrolled as Yeager Scholars and will work with the students as advisers and mentors, Dr. Smith said.

Chosen as Yeager Professors were:

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS--Jabir Abbas, political science; Howard Adkins, geography; George Arnold, journalism; Mark Borzi, speech; Margaret P. Brown, criminal justice; Catherine Cummings, speech; William Denman, speech; Christopher Dolmetsch, modern languages; Edward Duffy, sociology/anthropology; Robert Edmunds, speech; Robert Gerke, English; Joan Gilliland, English; C. Bosworth Johnson, journalism; Dorothy Johnson, speech; Wallace Knight, journalism; Deryl Leaming, journalism; Charles O. Lloyd, classical studies; George J. Lockwood, journalism; John McKernan, English; Terence McQueeney, modern languages; Charles Mabee, religious studies; Clair Matz, political science; Robert D. Olson, speech; Maria C. Riddel, modern languages; Robert D. Sawrey, history; Thomas C. Shevory, political science; William Sullivan, English; Ralph J. Turner, journalism, and John N. Vielkind, philosophy.

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COLLEGE OF SCIENCE--Gary D. Anderson, chemistry; Daniel P. Babb, chemistry; Frank L. Binder, biological sciences; David Cusick, mathematics; Ronald E. Gain, biological sciences; John L. Hubbard, chemistry,; Bowie Kahle, biological sciences; John Lancaster, mathematics; Ralph E. Oberly, physics and physical science; Nicola Orsini, physics and physical science, and Ralph W. Taylor, biological sciences.

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE--Gary O. Rankin, pharmacology; Monica Valentovic, pharmacology, and Robert B. Walker, family and community health.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION--Frank Riddel, social studies, and David P. Swain, health, physical education and recreation.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS--Robert Babb, computer science; W. Blaker Bolling, management; Robert E. Craft Jr., management; H. Richard Eisenbeis, management; Robert O. Johnson, computer science, and Allen J. Wilkins, economics.

The Society of Yeager Scholars annually will select 20 of the nation's outstanding students who will be provided four years of intensive, enriched studies at Marshall. The first class will be enrolled next fall.

The program is named in honor of U.S. Air Force Brig. Gen. Charles E. "Chuck" Yeager, the West Virginia native who broke the "sound barrier" in an experimental aircraft in 1947. Gen. Yeager is honorary chairman of the society's national board of directors.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- West Virginia State Treasurer A. James Manchin will address the monthly meeting of the Marshall University Emeritus Club on Wednesday, April 15.

Manchin will be the club's guest at a noon luncheon in the Shawkey Room in Memorial Student Center. Following the luncheon, Manchin will make a public address in the W. Don Morris Room in Memorial Student Center, according to Dr. Walter C. Felty, a member of the Emeritus Club.

"A. James Manchin is particularly well-known for his spirited defense of West Virginia and is forthright in speaking his mind on any subject, particularly our own state government," said Felty. "Since these are troubled times in West Virginia, we can expect some interesting comments and views from a man who knows our state from every angle."

Felty said Manchin's address following the luncheon is open free of charge to the public and Marshall students, faculty and staff.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Marshall University's new Faculty Senate, meeting for the first time Thursday (April 9), unanimously elected Dr. Rainey Duke as its first president. Dr. Duke, a professor of English, was chairwoman of University Council, the ranking committee under Marshall's former faculty governance system.

The Faculty Senate is made up of 46 elected senators representing each of the university's colleges and schools. Dr. Duke is a representative of the College of Liberal Arts.

Dr. Virginia Plumley, director of Marshall's Learning Resources Center and a representative of the College of Education, was elected vice president, and Elma S. Chapman, an associate professor and director of office technology in Marshall's Community College, was elected secretary.

The Faculty Senate Executive Committee also was elected during the meeting. It includes: Dr. Chong Kim, College of Business; Dr. Maureen Millicia, College of Liberal Arts; Kay Wildman, Librarians; Dr. Andrew Burger, School of Medicine; Giovanna Morton, School of Nursing, and Dr. Ralph Taylor, College of Science.

Marshall's faculty senators are:

--College of Business: Ramchandra G. Akkihal, economics; Chong Kim, management; Richard L. Powers, marketing; William J. Radig, accounting; Joseph M. Stone, finance.

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--Community College: Elma S. Chapman, office technology; Nedra K. [unclear], developmental and general studies.

--College of Education: C. Robert Barnett, health, physical education and recreation; Susan Ferrell, teacher education; Roscoe Hale Jr., teacher education; Dorothy E. Hicks, health, physical education and recreation; Harold E. Lewis Jr., teacher education; Edward G. Necco, teacher education; Virginia Plumley, educational media.

--College of Fine Arts: John E. Dolin, art; W. Richard Lemke, music; Laureen Milicia, theatre.

--College of Liberal Arts: Elaine Baker, psychology; Kathryn H. [unclear], speech pathology; Christopher Dolmetsch, modern languages; Rainey Duke, English; Frances S. Hensley, history; Deryl R. Leaming, journalism; Robert D. Olson, speech; Simon D. Perry, political science; Robert D. Sawrey, history; William P. Sullivan, English.

--Librarians: Cora P. Teel, James E. Morrow Library; S. Kay [unclear], Music Library.

--School of Medicine: Louis Howard Aulick, surgery and physiology; Mitchell Lewis Berk, anatomy; Andrew Joseph Burger, medicine; Prathapa G. [unclear], cardiology and internal medicine; Samuel A. Januszkiewicz, psychiatry; Peter J. Kasvinsky, biochemistry; Michael R. Moore, biochemistry; Gregory R. Wagner, family and community health; John B. Walden, family and community health.

--School of Nursing: Giovanna B. Morton, nursing; Judith Sortet, nursing.

--College of Science: Gary D. Anderson, chemistry; James E. Douglass, chemistry; Thomas J. Manakkil, physics/radiation safety; Thomas W. Olson, engineering; Dewey D. Sanderson, geology; Ralph W. Taylor, biological sciences.



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HUNTINGTON, W. Va.--Jane F. Wells, associate professor of English at Marshall University, has been awarded a \$7,500 grant by the Virginia Foundation for the Humanities to complete research for a biography of Eliza House Trist (1751-1828). Wells, who has sabbatical leave from Marshall for the 1987-88 year, will be a resident fellow at the Virginia Center for the Humanities in Charlottesville from Sept. 1 through Dec. 18.

Eliza Trist was a Philadelphia native who became a friend of three presidents. Her mother kept the "Congressional boarding house" in Philadelphia where the most famous delegates and their families stayed during the Constitutional Convention and where Trist formed lasting friendships with James Madison and Thomas Jefferson. Through them she later met and became friends with James and Elizabeth Monroe. Her lifetime correspondence with these and others will be the basis for the biography. After her grandson married one of Jefferson's granddaughters, Trist lived with them at Monticello until her death.

Wells has been researching the Trist family for the past five years in archives throughout the eastern United States, locating and editing their unpublished letters. Her research has been assisted by summer research and faculty development grants from Marshall University and the Marshall Foundation.

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"The completed work should appeal both to a scholarly audience and the public, particularly those interested in the Jefferson era or the lives of women in the early republic," said Ms. Wells. "Eliza Trist and her correspondents commented on virtually every aspect of American life during the period."

A member of the Marshall faculty since 1966, Ms. Wells received her bachelor's degree from West Virginia University and her master's degree from Marshall.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- The Marshall University School of Nursing has received a full eight-year accreditation from the National League for Nursing, Acting Dean Sharon Ambrose has announced.

"We were extremely happy to learn that the accreditation will cover our new four-year bachelor of science in nursing program right away," Ms. Ambrose said. "Normally new programs have to wait until the first class has graduated to become accredited, so this is very good news for our students. We were well pleased with the results."

Nitzschke said the accreditation reflects not only the strength of Marshall's program, but the hard work of the School of Nursing faculty as well.

"Our nursing faculty have really pushed to address the changes needed to meet new state requirements, yet they haven't lost the personal touch," he said. "The League praised the school's good faculty/student relationships and noted that the program is highly regarded within the university, its alumni, and the community at large."

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The league did express some concerns, particularly about curriculum because of this transition, but was pleased with the steps already being taken to address those concerns, Ms. Ambrose said. Marshall is to file a progress report in four years. With the advent of the unified four-year program, the group also would like to see more nursing faculty with Ph.D. degrees and more activity in research and publications.

The accrediting body praised the program's low student/faculty ratio, its computer capabilities and library, and the high quality of volunteer faculty in the community.

With the number of nursing students in four-year programs dropping nationally, Ms. Ambrose said the accreditation news was especially welcome.

"Nurses with bachelor's degrees play such an important role in the health-care delivery system in our region and experts predict an increasing shortage of nurses," she said. "Having an accredited program in place is bound to be a consideration for students considering nursing as a career."

Marshall's enrollment of nursing students has remained steady at 350. The first students entered the new four-year bachelor's degree nursing program in August. Before the change, students earned a two-year associate degree and then had the option of taking two more years of coursework to earn a bachelor's degree.

Because West Virginia changed its licensing requirements for registered nurses, Marshall is phasing out the associate-degree program in favor of the unified four-year program.



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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Linda Martin, Marshall University graduate assistant in the Department of Sociology/Anthropology, will make a presentation titled "Nicaragua, the Laboratory" on Wednesday, April 15, at 3 p.m. in the eighth floor lounge of Smith Hall.

Martin's presentation will be based on a recent trip to Nicaragua she took with educators from seven southern states. It will be open to the public free of charge.

The purpose of the trip was to engage in direct person-to-person exchange with Nicaraguan educators and observe their ongoing work in literacy which has won two UNESCO awards. The first UNESCO award was presented in 1980 in response to the country's historic literacy crusade which reduced illiteracy from 50 percent to 13 percent.

According to Martin, the tour enabled the educators from the United States to talk with literacy teachers, students and educators who teach a variety of programs on leadership development, organizational management and planning, and agricultural development.

She said members of the tour were able to talk at length with people in the war zones and other areas about the impact of the ongoing war with the contras and its effect on the educational programs and economy of Nicaragua.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- A nationally known specialist in heart health, disease and rehabilitation will present talks for health professionals and the public Monday, April 20, in Huntington.

The two talks by cardiologist Dennis Davidson, M.D., are sponsored by the Marshall University School of Medicine.

The first talk, designed primarily for health professionals, is entitled "Pessimism in Depression in Cardiac Patients." It will be at 1 p.m. in the Shawkey Room of Marshall's Memorial Student Center.

The second talk, for both the public and professional audiences, is on "Emotional Aspects of Cardiovascular Disease Seen in Primary-Care Patients." This talk is the 1987 W. Edwin Black Distinguished Lectureship, and will be presented at 7:30 p.m. at the Radisson Hotel.

Davidson is director of preventive and rehabilitative cardiology at the University of California at Irvine, where he also is an associate professor of medicine. He has written numerous scientific articles, as well as book chapters, on the subjects of cardiac disease and rehabilitation.

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He is primary investigator for three research projects, including one on preventive cardiology, with grant funding totaling more than \$1 million.

He serves as a consultant for the National Institutes of Health and is a member of several campus committees. He has held a variety of committee and leadership positions with his local American Heart Association chapters and affiliates.

In 1986, Davidson received the Teaching Award of the American Heart Association Council on Clinical Cardiology. He also has been a Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholar and received the Navy Commendation Medal for his work with the Indochinese Refugee Program at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

He reviews scientific articles for six journals, including the American Journal of Cardiology, the Archives of Internal Medicine, and the Journal of Cardiac Rehabilitation.

He is a fellow of the Council on Epidemiology of the American Heart Association and is a member of several other professional organizations, including the American College of Cardiology and the Society of Behavioral Medicine.



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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Norbert Blanc, cultural attache at the French embassy in Washington, D.C., will make a presentation titled "Something Ventured, Something Gained: French Presence in the United States" at Marshall University on Thursday, April 23, at 2 p.m. in Corbly Hall Room 105.

The presentation will be open to the public free of charge. To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Department of Modern Languages, 696-6730.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Marshall University will have a full summer schedule of courses despite a 5 percent reduction in its 1986-87 allocations from the state, MU President Dale F. Nitzschke said today.

In addition, the university will be able to meet the budget cutback without having to furlough any employees, Nitzschke said.

"We're undergoing some painful decision-making, but we are going to be able to meet our primary responsibilities for students," Nitzschke said.

He made his announcement after receiving a report this morning (Wednesday) from Vice President for Financial Affairs Harry E. Neel Jr.

Nitzschke said the cuts will be achieved in several ways.

--Personnel actions, such as promotions and hiring of new personnel, will be delayed.

--Travel will be reduced, as will purchases of equipment.

--Funds will be transferred from selected non-appropriated accounts, along with interest from those accounts. Examples of such accounts are the Housing and Student Center accounts which generate funds through the sale of goods and services to students.

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"I'm particularly pleased that Student Activity Fee accounts will not be affected," Nitzschke said. The Student Activity Fee accounts fund such activities as Student Government, the student newspaper, intramural sports, intercollegiate athletics, debate and the Marshall Artists Series.

"Although some very important maintenance and improvement projects will be delayed, we're going to be able to maintain the level of service we are providing to the students," Nitzschke said. "I'm very pleased about that, even though we will be creating some problems in the future as a result of the actions we're having to take. We'll simply have to deal with those problems as they occur."

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Dr. John H. Hoback was a student at Marshall College in 1937 when the institution celebrated its Centennial. He recently retired from Marshall University as a professor of chemistry, during the institution's Sesquicentennial year.

Hoback, whose 50-year association with Marshall covers one-third of the school's existence, will be honored at a reception on Friday, April 24, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Shawkey Room in Memorial Student Center.

Hoback witnessed many historical events and changes on the campus as the college grew into a major university.

Although he has many fond memories of Marshall and witnessed many major events, Hoback said the thing that stands out most in his mind is the huge influx of students to the campus after World War II.

He remembers rows of trailers where campus buildings now stand. He remembers the army surplus housing units that stood in Donald Court, and he remembers trying to deal with the large numbers of students in his chemistry classes.

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"During the fall of 1946, we had some 600 freshmen in chemistry classes," said Hoback. "That was a lot more than we had ever had before. We had to set up equipment to give lectures in Old Main Auditorium.

"I remember I had one section in the auditorium with 250 students. Of course there was no P.A. system and we had only one little blackboard up on stage."

Hoback said he remembers going to a sawmill and picking up pieces of plywood for the class. "Students picked up a piece of plywood as they came through the door. They had to put it across the arms of their chairs to use as a desk to write on," he said. "Then as they left, they stacked the plywood back up at the door.

"The years just seemed to roll by," said Hoback. "I've had many friends and fond memories of Marshall, but it is particularly nice when one of your students becomes a success or comes back to campus to visit. That makes it all worthwhile."

Hoback received his bachelor's degree from Marshall in 1941 and his master's in 1942. He received his doctorate from West Virginia University in 1947.

The Huntington native joined the Marshall faculty in 1945 and served the school in various capacities. He has been involved in numerous community activities and served as the chemistry consultant for the Veterans Administration Medical Center, directed the Tri-State Regional Science Fair and presented summer programs for high school teachers to help them update their science programs.

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He is married to Dr. Florence Kuust Hoback, a Huntington psychiatrist, and they are the parents of two children, Dr. Holly Hoback Clark, also a Huntington psychiatrist, and Con Hoback, a computer software specialist in Dallas, Texas. They have three grandchildren, Clifton, Bradford and Caroline, all of Huntington.

Dr. Hoback and his wife have traveled extensively throughout the United States and Canada and sailed around the world on the Rotterdam in 1979.

The reception is open to the public and all of Hoback's colleagues, students and friends. Those planning to attend or who would like further details should call the Marshall University Chemistry Department, 696-2430.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Dr. Robert F. Maddox, associate vice president of academic affairs at Marshall University, will participate in a panel discussion being presented at a seminar on higher education and economic development April 30-May 1 in Philadelphia at the Sheraton University Hotel.

The seminar, titled "The Higher Education-Economic Development Connection: Making the Partnership Work," is one of five being sponsored throughout the country by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities, the National Association of Management and Technical Assistance Centers and SRI International.

Maddox will make a presentation on "Distressed Communities" during a panel on "College and University Initiatives Addressing Economic Issues in the Northeast," which will be held Friday, May 1, from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

The seminar will explore the college/university role in meeting economic development challenges and will develop specific higher education agendas for each region of the country, according to Maddox. The seminar will attract educators and administrators from colleges and universities throughout the east, as well as business and industry leaders, state agencies, mayors, city managers and economic development directors.

In addition to his responsibilities as associate vice president for academic affairs, Maddox is responsible for a number of economic development programs at Marshall.

Maddox received his bachelor's degree from Morris Harvey College, a master's degree from Marshall and his Ph. D. from the University of Kentucky. He has held a variety of teaching and administrative positions at Marshall since he joined the faculty in 1966.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- Mebane M. Pritchett, currently head of one of the university's most prestigious scholar programs and soon to assume leadership of another, is the newest member of the Marshall University Society of Yeager Scholars Board of Directors.

His appointment was announced today by Col. Ralph D. Albertazzie of Martinsburg, W.Va., president of the Yeager Scholars board.

Pritchett will become president of the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation in Atlanta, Ga. in June. He has served as executive director of the Motley Morehead Foundation at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill since 1972 and was associate director for five years before then.

The Morehead Scholars program is considered one of the most outstanding academic support programs in the United States.

"When we were organizing the Society of Yeager Scholars, we turned to Mebane Pritchett for advice," MU President Dale F. Nitzschke said. "As a result of his long experience and his outstanding achievements with such a program, he was able to help us avoid pitfalls and add some strong points to the Yeager program we might have overlooked.

"He played a most significant role in helping us establish the Society of Yeager Scholars and I'm very pleased that he will now work with us as a board member," Nitzschke said.

A native North Carolinian (Lenoir), Pritchett was a Morehead Scholar himself at UNC Chapel Hill, where he received his A.B. degree in 1957. He earned his Doctor of Jurisprudence degree from Harvard Law School in 1963 and served as a U.S. Navy officer from 1957 to 1960. He practiced law

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New York from 1963 to 1967 when he became associate director of the Prehead Foundation.

He is chairman of the North Carolina State Board of Education and is active in a number of other North Carolina organizations.

He is married to the former Elizabeth Bost of Charlotte, N.C. and they are the parents of a son, Paul.

The Society of Yeager Scholars Board of Directors will have its second annual meeting May 16 in the Marshall Memorial Student Center.

Under the Yeager program, Marshall will enroll 20 of the nation's outstanding high school seniors each year and provide them four years of intensive, enriched academic work at Marshall. The first class of Yeager scholars--the Ashland Class--will arrive on campus next fall.

The program is named in honor of Brig. Gen. Charles E. "Chuck" Yeager, a West Virginian who broke the "sound barrier" in an experimental aircraft in 1947, opening the way to manned space flight.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- West Virginia Gov. Arch A. Moore Jr. will be named an Honorary Alumnus of Marshall University as part of Alumni Weekend activities April 24-25.

Gov. Moore will receive the award at the Marshall Alumni Association's "Celebrity Reception" Friday in the Huntington Civic Center's Suite A. The presentation will be made between 8 and 8:30 p.m.

"It is most appropriate that the Alumni Association honor Gov. Moore during Marshall's Sesquicentennial year as he has played a vital role in Marshall's growth over the years," Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke said.

"Arch Moore's commitment to Marshall University has been exceptional. His support was a key factor in establishment of the Marshall School of Medicine. He also was instrumental in the formation of our Society of Yeager Scholars, making the first contribution of \$50,000 from his contingency fund and joining us in Washington, D.C., for the announcement of the program. He continues to be supportive of other projects and programs for Marshall," Nitzschke continued.

"Honorary Alumnus awards are not given yearly. They are reserved for very special people who are not Marshall graduates but who give so much of themselves to the university that they seem like alumni," according to Linda S. Holmes, director of alumni affairs.

Gov. Moore becomes the 18th recipient of the Honorary Alumnus award since the first award was made in 1962, Ms. Holmes said.

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Past recipients of the award include two former Marshall presidents, the late Stewart H. Smith and Robert B. Hayes, former dean of the Marshall School of Medicine Dr. Robert W. Coon, and William C. Campbell, president of the Marshall University Foundation, Inc.

This is the third time Marshall has honored Gov. Moore. The university presented him an honorary Doctor of Laws degree at Commencement in 1969. He was the recipient of the Alumni Association's Distinguished Service award in 1974.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- John R. Hall, chairman and chief executive officer of Ashland Oil, Inc. will be awarded an honorary Doctor of Science degree at Marshall University's Sesquicentennial Year Commencement.

Announcement of Hall's selection as an honorary degree recipient was made today by Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke. He said the award had been recommended by the Marshall faculty's Commencement and Honorary Degrees Committee and approved by the university's Institutional Board of Advisors and the West Virginia Board of Regents.

The 1987 Commencement, one of the highlight events of Marshall's year-long celebration of its 150th anniversary, is scheduled for Saturday, May 9, in the Huntington Civic Center, beginning at 11 a.m.

"I'm very pleased that Mr. Hall has been selected for a Marshall University honorary degree," Nitzschke said. "This gives us an opportunity to recognize not only his outstanding achievements as an individual, but his leadership of a company which stands out as a model corporate citizen for this entire region."

Hall is a member of the national board of directors of Marshall's Society of Yeager Scholars and of the Marshall Foundation's prestigious John Marshall Society. He recently was named as the recipient of the 1987 Shells and Petrochemicals Division Award presented by the American Institute of Chemical Engineers.

A native of Dallas, Texas, Hall was reared in Knoxville, Tenn. and

He joined Ashland Oil, Inc. in 1957 as a chemical engineer and subsequently has served in a variety of managerial positions. He was elected vice president in 1966, an administrative vice president and director in 1968, and senior vice president in 1970. He became president of Ashland Chemical Co. in 1971 and was elected executive vice president of the corporation in 1974.

Hall became a group operating officer responsible for petroleum and chemical activities in 1976 and was elected chief executive officer responsible for those operations in 1978. He was elected vice chairman of the board and chief operating officer in 1979 and in 1981 was named chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Ashland Oil, Inc.

Hall serves on the Board of Curators of Transylvania University and is a member of the Vanderbilt University Engineering School Committee of Visitors.

He is a member of the board of directors of Reynolds Metals Co. and a former member of the board of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland. He also is a member of the American Petroleum Institute Executive Committee and the National Petroleum Council and is past chairman of the National Petroleum Refiners Association.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- Helen M. Matheny of Mineral Wells, a graduating senior at Marshall University, has been selected one of Good Housekeeping magazine's "100 Women of Promise, Class of '87."

She and the other women chosen for their "notable campus and community activities" and their "broad range of outstanding personal endeavor" will be featured in the magazine's July issue.

"This young lady is an extraordinarily talented person, and we're delighted that she's being honored in this way," said MU President Dale F. Nitzschke.

"She is a risk-taker in a very intelligent, quiet and consistent way," he added. "One of her greatest skills is the ability to relate to all ages and types of people. She is the kind of young person who could easily develop into a first-rate college president, congresswoman, or state governor."

Ms. Matheny will receive her degree in journalism, with an emphasis in public relations. She received the Most Promising Public Relations Undergraduate Award from the West Virginia Chapter of the Public Relations Society of America. She is president of Marshall's chapter of the Public Relations Student Society of America.

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She serves as a representative to the Board of Regents Advisory Council of Students.

In addition, she is a member of Omicron Delta Kappa (a national leadership honorary), the Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society, and Sigma Sigma Sigma Sorority. She has earned the status of West Virginia 4-H All-Star.

During her four years at Marshall, she has completed journalism internships at the Monsanto Company's Nitro plant and the West Virginia Legislature. She also supervised 35 dormitory students as a resident advisor, provided orientation counseling for new students, and served as a staff writer for Marshall's student newspaper.

"She has really made the effort to get more out of college than just four years of attending classes," said MU Vice President for Student Affairs Nell C. Bailey. "She's also provided the kind of leadership that helps her fellow students become involved as well. Thanks largely to her efforts as an election commissioner, for example, about twice the number of students voted in the most recent student government election than had voted in other elections during my seven years here."

Ms. Matheny is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Matheny of Mineral Wells, and a graduate of Parkersburg South High School.

She enjoys traveling, photography and tennis, and shares in her family's hobby of raising and showing Belgian draft horses.



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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- Dr. Christian Guilleminault, an international authority on sleep disorders, will speak at Marshall University at 8 p.m. Monday (April 27) on "Disorders of Excessive Sleepiness."

His talk, designed for both health professionals and the general public, will be in the Don Morris Room of Marshall's Memorial Student Center.

Guilleminault is associate director of Stanford University's Sleep Disorders Clinic and Research Center. He works especially with apnea (in which people stop breathing during sleep) and narcolepsy (problems with sleepiness during waking). He has published several articles on the relationship between apnea and sudden infant death syndrome.

He is co-editor of the journal Sleep, serves on editorial board of two journals, and is a field reviewer for such publications as Science, the New England Journal of Medicine, and the Annals of Internal Medicine.

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He is a consultant to NASA and acts as a field reviewer for grant applications for the National Institutes of Health, the Veterans Administration, and the Canadian Medical Research Council.

A member of numerous professional organizations, he has served as North American chairman of the Section on Neurology of the Pan American Medical Association.

His talk is sponsored by the Tri-State Chapter of the Society for Neuroscience. An open reception will follow.

Free parking will be available in the metered lot across Fifth Avenue from the Student Center.



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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Stephanie J. Baker, a sophomore accounting major at Marshall University, placed second in the Accounting I division of a statewide competition which took place at the West Virginia Phi Beta Lambda/Future Business Leaders of America annual conference held recently at the James Rumsey Vocational School in Martinsburg.

Phi Beta Lambda is the collegiate branch of the Future Business Leaders of America.

Should the first place winner be unable to attend the Phi Beta Lambda/FBLA national conference July 1-8 in Anaheim, Calif., Ms. Baker would be eligible to represent West Virginia in the Accounting I competition.

Ms. Baker served as vice president of the West Virginia Phi Beta Lambda organization this year. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest A. Baker of Catlettsburg, Ky., and is a 1985 graduate of Boyd County High School.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Dr. Nell C. Bailey, vice president/dean for student affairs at Marshall University, has been selected as the recipient of this year's Anna T. Fricke Award by the Zeta-Zeta chapter of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity.

The award was established in memory of Ms. Fricke, who served as a Zeta-Zeta housemother for 23 years.

In the past, the award has been presented to individuals who made significant contributions to Zeta-Zeta. This year the chapter expanded the criteria to include individuals who make significant contributions to the Greek system at Marshall University.

A spokesman for the fraternity said Dr. Bailey deserved this year's award for her outstanding contributions to the Marshall Greek system and Lambda Chi Alpha.

Dr. Bailey joined the Marshall administration in 1980. In her capacity as vice president/dean for student affairs, she deals with a wide variety of student concerns, including financial aid, campus life and Greek affairs.

She is a native of Salem, W.Va., and received her bachelor's degree from Salem College. She earned her master's degree from Kent State University and her Ed. D. degree from Indiana University. Dr. Bailey has held administrative positions at Salem College, Kent State, Bethany College, Indiana University and Illinois State University.



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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Marshall University's public radio station, WMUL, received four first-place awards and two Certificates of Excellence from the West Virginia Associated Press Broadcasters Association during the association's annual meeting held recently at Canaan Valley.

The station won first-place awards in the small market radio division for the following:

--Best Feature: "The Mystique of Professional Wrestling" by Jacqueline Bryson, a senior from Lewisburg, and Charlie Conner, a senior from Parkersburg.

--Best Interview: "Homeless People: An Interview With Charlie" produced by Joel Cooke, a senior from Shady Spring.

--Best Sports Special: "Drug Testing in College Athletics" produced by Joe Hovanski, a junior from Meadowbridge, and Terri Spencer, a recent MU graduate from Newport News, Va.

--Best Sports Play-by-Play: "Man High School versus Huntington East High School" by Doug Birdsong, a senior from Huntington; Joe Hovanski, and Chuck Bailey, assistant professor of speech at Marshall and WMUL faculty adviser.

Lisa Edgell, a recent MU graduate from Huntington, and Jeff Deskins, a senior from Ashland, Ky., received a Certificate of Excellence in the category of Best News Documentary for a story on the "Marshall University Stadium Controversy."

received a Certificate of Excellence in the category of Public Affairs programming for a story on "Christian Life on Campus." She also recently received a second place award for the same story from the Sigma Delta Chi Society of Professional Journalists during the society's annual awards competition.

Another WMUL staff member, Allison Fisher of Hurricane, received first place award for Best Radio News (non-deadline) in the Sigma Delta Chi competition.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--William A. Edwards, formerly assistant to the president of Parkersburg Community College, has been named director of Marshall University's Center for Education and Research with Industry, according to Dr. Robert F. Maddox, associate vice president for academic affairs at Marshall.

The Center for Education and Research with Industry was established by the Board of Regents in 1983 to foster contributions from the state's colleges and universities toward West Virginia's long-term economic development. Prior to being transferred to the Marshall campus in 1985, CERI operated from the BOR's central office.

The center's mission includes the promotion of campus-business linkages and the utilization of higher education's considerable resources in the furtherance of the state's economic development, according to Maddox, who directs Marshall's economic development programs.

Additionally, CERI encourages cooperative relationships between the institutions of higher education and state and local governments, economic and community development organizations and community groups.

Edwards received his bachelor's degree in education and his master's degree in educational administration from Marshall. He has done post-graduate work at Marshall and West Virginia University.

He previously served as coordinator of services to business and industry for the West Virginia Department of Education's Bureau of Vocational, Technical and Adult Education and held a number of positions

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in public school systems and higher education. He also served as a consultant to the West Virginia Department of Health, the West Virginia Department of Education and Associated Assessment, Training and Development, Inc.

A native of Huntington, Edwards has been involved in a variety of civic and professional organizations, served as president of the West Virginia Adult Education Association, and served on the boards of the West Virginia Association of Community Education, the West Virginia Community College Association, the Putnam County Industrial Development Authority and the Governor's Office of Community and Industrial Development (Small Business Development Center).

"We are very happy that we were able to attract someone with Mr. Edwards' experience and background in both education and business," said Maddox. "He has had 16 years of administrative experience at all levels of education and 14 years of grants and business development experience at the county and state levels. He will be an asset to our program, which has experienced great success in developing economic programs and partnerships throughout West Virginia."

"I feel this position will provide me a great amount of professional growth and the opportunity to meet a challenge that can benefit the entire state of West Virginia," Edwards said. "I am looking forward to the many opportunities the position will provide me and I anticipate establishing many excellent working relationships to help the economic situation throughout the state."

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- The presidents of the American Medical Association and the West Virginia State Medical Association will be guest speakers for ceremonies at the Marshall University School of Medicine May 7 and 8.

AMA President John J. Coury Jr., M.D., will present the Last Lecture at 8 p.m. Thursday, May 7, in Marshall's Smith Recital Hall. His topic will be "Future Concerns in Health Care."

State Medical Association President Charles E. Turner, M.D., of Huntington, will make remarks at the school's Investiture Ceremony. The ceremony is at 8 p.m. May 8 at the Huntington Civic Center.

Both events, and the receptions which follow, are open to the public.

Born in Wheeling, W.Va., Dr. Coury now lives in Port Huron, Mich., where he is a general and pediatric surgeon. Before being elected president of the AMA, he had served for 10 years on its Board of Trustees, becoming the board's vice-chairman in 1981 and its chairman in 1983. He also was a delegate to the AMA House of Delegates and served on the association's Council on Legislation and Long-Range Policy and Development.

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He received his M.D. degree from Case Western University School of Medicine, and in 1985 received an honorary Doctor of Science degree from his undergraduate alma mater, Washington-Jefferson College of Pennsylvania.

In addition to his AMA duties, he also serves as chairman of the Council of the World Medical Association.

Dr. Turner, elected West Virginia State Medical Association president in 1986, is a member of the Huntington Internal Medicine Group, Inc., and has been a clinical professor of medicine at the Marshall School of Medicine since 1977. An internist-gastroenterologist, he received his undergraduate degree from Marshall University and his M.D. degree from the West Virginia University School of Medicine.

He serves on the staffs of Cabell Huntington Hospital and St. Mary's Hospital, and is a consultant for the Huntington Veterans Administration Medical Center. He is a past president of the Cabell County Medical Society.



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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Down--but not completely out.

That's the situation of Marshall University's historic "Old Beech," victim of a fierce thunderstorm Monday night.

MU President Dale F. Nitzschke has directed that the fallen tree be stored to permit the wood to dry. At the same time, he asked Vice President for Institutional Advancement Keith L. Scott to organize a committee which will decide how best to make mementos from the tree available to Marshall alumni and friends.

"That tree literally has sheltered Marshall Academy, Marshall College and now Marshall University for 150 years," Nitzschke said. "It has been a treasured landmark for generations of people who have made Marshall a significant part of their lives. What we want to do now is to make sure it -- and all it means to us -- is remembered appropriately."

Nitzschke said the committee will include representatives of students, staff, faculty, alumni and the community. He said suggestions from the public will be welcomed.

About 10 feet of the tree's trunk was left standing. Nitzschke said the committee also will be asked to recommend whether it should be left in place or removed.

The tree, located at the west end of Marshall's administration building, Old Main, is somewhere between 378 and 398 years old. A study conducted in 1975 by Dr. Stanley W. Ash, professor of biological sciences at Marshall, indicated the tree at that time was 376 years old, "give or take 10 years."

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The tree's trunk is marked with initials carved by students over many decades. Engagements have taken place under its limbs, as well as wedding ceremonies.

The university staff has struggled to keep the tree alive for the last two decades. Huge holes in its trunk have been "plugged" with concrete and some of its massive limbs were held in place by steel cables.

"Although we are saddened by the loss of the Old Beech, it somehow seems appropriate that its long-postponed demise came during this special year of our Sesquicentennial observance," Nitzschke said. "As with the tree, this university is recognizing and honoring its proud past while at the same time we are looking toward building an even more significant future."

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--"Adults in Transition," a workshop designed for adults who want to enter college to acquire new job skills and career opportunities, will be presented at Marshall University May 11-15 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day.

The program, which is open to the public free of charge, has been specifically designed for individuals who are single heads of households, persons who lack job skills, part-time workers seeking full-time employment and those who need employment because of divorce, separation or the death of a spouse, according to Janice McNearney, program coordinator.

"This workshop is ideal for people who are uncertain about starting college or starting back to college, especially if they have been out of school for a period of time," said McNearney. "It is a good opportunity for people who are thinking about entering college to get help. Many former students have told us that without this program, they would not have had the courage to go back to school."

Participants of the workshop will not be under any obligation to enroll in college. A high school diploma or equivalent will be required for registration.

Topics to be covered will include career planning, academic and personal assessment, computer literacy and study skills, and financial aid.

"Participants will receive individual instruction and academic

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counseling throughout the five-day program," McNearney said, "and they also will get an orientation to the college environment."

To register for the workshop or obtain further details contact
Janice McNearney, Marshall University Community College, 696-3646.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- The National Institutes of Health has renewed a \$6,000 grant which allows the Marshall University School of Medicine to hire minority high school students as summer research apprentices.

Apprentices in this year's program may work on medical-related computer programming, research into the ways injuries affect metabolism, or studies of how certain chemicals affect the kidneys.

"This has been a very successful program in past years, because it allows students to develop an understanding of research and the technical skills it involves," said Dr. Peter Kasvinsky, director of research development.

"This practical experience, plus the one-to-one contact with working scientists, can help students decide whether they would enjoy health-related research as a career," he said.

Students in the program will work from four to 10 weeks and will earn \$4 per hour.

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The program is open to students who identify themselves as black, Hispanic, American Indian, Alaskan native, Pacific islander or Asian.

Interested students should apply by May 8. In addition to an application form (available from Kasvinsky or high school science teachers), students should submit a one-page essay telling why they are interested in the program, what their career goals are, and what their own background is. Applicants also should ask two persons to send letters of reference on their behalf. At least one letter must be from a science teacher at the student's high school.

More information is available from Kasvinsky at 429-6936.

April 30, 1987

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Marshall University's Sesquicentennial Commencement -- scheduled Saturday, May 9, at 11 a.m. in the Huntington Civic Center -- will offer both an element of surprise and a break with tradition.

MU President Dale F. Nitzschke said the "surprise" revolves around the Commencement speaker, who will not be announced until the ceremonies are underway. "We're planning a nice 'birthday surprise' for our graduating students and faculty as we observe Marshall's 150th anniversary," Nitzschke said.

The university is celebrating its Sesquicentennial throughout 1987 and Commencement is one of the highlight periods.

The other unusual feature of the 1987 Commencement is the fact that -- perhaps for the first time in Marshall's history -- the chief marshal and the assistant chief marshal in the academic procession are women.

Dr. Dorothy R. Johnson, professor of speech and chairperson of that department, was selected by President Nitzschke as chief marshal, substituting for Dr. David R. Woodward who is on sabbatical leave in England. Dr. Dorothy E. Hicks, professor of health, physical education and recreation, will be assistant chief marshal.

The assistant chief marshal will lead the faculty procession. The chief marshal, bearing the University Mace, will lead the platform party and will place the mace on the platform to open the ceremonies.

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Registrar Robert H. Eddins said he believed this is the first time women have filled either role in Marshall graduation programs.

Another highlight will be the awarding of the honorary Doctor of Science degree to John R. Hall, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Ashland Oil, Inc.

Special guests on the platform will include Dr. Thomas W. Cole, Jr., Chancellor of the West Virginia Board of Regents.

More than 1,700 students will be awarded diplomas, including about 20 who will complete their work during the current term. The others completed requirements during the past fall term or last summer. About 1,000 are expected to participate in the ceremonies.

Four doctoral degrees are to be awarded under a joint program offered in conjunction with West Virginia University. Thirty-nine students will receive the Doctor of Medicine degree from Marshall's School of Medicine.

The largest number of degrees, 379, will be conferred by the Graduate School, followed by the College of Business with 362. Other university units awarding degrees will be the College of Education, 287; the College of Liberal Arts, 232; the Community College, 141; the College of Science, 105; the Regents Bachelor of Arts Degree Program, 85; the School of Nursing, 72, and the College of Fine Arts, 9.

Eddins said 246 students are expected to graduate with honors.

The program will open with a pre-Commencement concert by the Marshall Wind Symphony, directed by Dr. Richard Lemke. The Rev. Phillip Browne, Episcopal chaplain for the Campus Christian Center, will deliver the invocation.

Dr. Carol A. Smith, vice president for academic affairs, will present Mr. Hall as the honorary degree recipient and deans of the various colleges and schools will present students receiving degrees through their respective units.

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Also participating will be Linda Holmes, director of the Office of Alumni Affairs, and Professor Emeritus Leo V. Imperi, who will lead the singing of the "Alma Mater."

Eddins said the Commencement and Honorary Degrees Committee will host a reception for graduates and their families in Suite A of the Huntington Civic Center immediately following the ceremonies. Members of the Marshall faculty and staff also have been invited.

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May 4, 1987

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Dr. Howard A. Slaatte, professor and former chairman of the Marshall University Department of Philosophy, has announced his retirement after 22 years of service at the university.

Dr. Slaatte studied for over 19 years in higher education before he entered the classroom to teach. He received an associate degree from Kendall College, a bachelor's degree from the University of North Dakota, and his master's of divinity and doctor of philosophy from Drew University.

He was granted a travelling fellowship by Drew University which took him to Oxford University, where he was elected Mansfield College representative to the Socratic Society, lectured before the large Wesley Society of Oxford and wrote an essay on epistemology which was filed with master's theses of Oxford.

Prior to coming to Marshall in 1965, Slaatte taught at Temple University and McMurry College, and pastored several churches in Minnesota, New York and Michigan.

Slaatte has authored 15 books, 13 that have been published and two that are currently being considered by publishers.

His first and third books reached the finals in nationwide competitions that each included over 400 manuscripts.

Two of his books are on the philosophy of science. They are "Modern Science and the Human Condition" and "The Dogma of Immaculate Perception," the latter being only the second book ever written as a critique of logical positivism, according to Slaatte.

Nobel Prize winner in physiology, Roger W. Sperry, has

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applauded Slaatte's book, "The Creativity of Consciousness," especially for its inclusion of different biological theories of life, which Dr. Sperry said influenced his thinking.

Other books by Slaatte have been used as textbooks in specialized studies. They include "Time and its End," "The Pertinence of the Paradox," "Fire in the Brand," "The Philosophy of Martin Heidegger," and "The Paradox of Existentialist Theology."

Dr. Slaatte also wrote one of the lead articles, "Self-transcendence: The Key to Logotherapy," for the World Congress of Logotherapy's book publication "Analecta Frankliana."

Peter Lang, Inc., publishers in New York, Bern, Paris, Munich and Berline, recently appointed Dr. Slaatte as the general editor of a book series on contemporary existentialism.

Dr. Slaatte has been involved in numerous professional and community organizations and served as chairman of the Salvation Army Advisory Board. He has been listed in various reference and biographical publications, including "Who's Who in America" and "Who's Who in the World." In 1986 he was nominated "Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year" by the Faculty Merit Foundation of West Virginia.

"I want to thank the many fine people of Marshall University, especially faculty members, for the many fine associations I have had with them over the past 22 years," Slaatte said.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Marshall University has announced the winners of its Sesquicentennial Celebration School Competition in Writing, Art and Photography, according to Lynne Mayer, assistant to the president at Marshall and coordinator of the program.

Students in grades seven through 12 were asked to write essays, poems and short stories and submit art works and photographs dealing with the theme "One Hundred Fifty Years of Value in Education." Students could submit works on three subjects: "Memories of Marshall: What was Life Like at Marshall in the Past?"; "Impressions of Marshall: How has Marshall University Influenced Your Family?" and "What will Marshall University be Like in the Year 2000?"

First place winners in each category and grade division received \$50, second place winners received \$25 and third place winners received \$10.

The winners were:

Writing--Jeff Parsons of Guyan Valley High School, Branchland, first place in grades 7-9; Danny Shute of South Point (Ohio) High School, first place in grades 10-12; Meredith Lutz of Huntington High School, second place in grades 10-12.

Art--Andrew Scites of Ceredo Kenova Middle School, first place in grades 7-9; Jeremy Rodda of Van Devender Junior High School, Parkersburg,

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second place in grades 7-9; Melissa Dawson of Ceredo Kenova Middle School,
third place in grades 7-9; Stacy Jo Richardson of Huntington East High
School, first place in grades 10-12.

Photography--Jara Howard of Huntington High School, first place
in grades 10-12.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Huntington attorney David H. Daugherty has been elected president of the Marshall University Alumni Association Board of Directors for 1987-88.

A 1951 honor graduate of Marshall and former student body president, he is a partner in the law firm of Kife and Daugherty. He was elected to the Alumni Board in 1985 and previously had served on the board from 1958 to 1961. He is married to the former Patricia Ann Neff, a 1955 Marshall graduate.

Other new officers are: Alan R. Simmons of Huntington, first vice president; Beatrice Nelson Orr of Logan, W. Va., second vice president; Ronna G. McClure of Logan, secretary, and Leon K. Oxley of Huntington, treasurer.

Simmons, a 1971 Marshall graduate, is a senior trust officer with The First Huntington National Bank. He has served on the Alumni Board since 1982 and had been treasurer for the past three years. His wife, the former Jean A. Ramsey, received her M.B.A. degree from Marshall in 1985.

Mrs. Orr is supervisor of physical education, health education and girls' athletics with the Logan County Board of Education. She received her B.A. degree in 1952 and her M.A. degree in 1970 and was recipient of the Alumni Association's Alumna Community Achievement award in 1978. She was elected to the Alumni Board in 1985. Her husband, Thomas B. Orr, graduated from Marshall in 1952.

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Ms. McClure, a 1982 Marshall graduate, is marketing director with The National Bank of Logan. She is president of the Logan Chapter of the Alumni Association and was appointed to the Alumni Board in 1986 to fill an unexpired term.

Oxley is an attorney with the Frazier and Oxley Legal Corp. A 1971 graduate, he was appointed to the Alumni Board in 1985 and was elected to the Board in 1986.

Officers are elected by and from the Association's Board of Directors. Members of the Board are elected through balloting of active members of the Alumni Association. Each year 10 members are elected to three-year terms.

At-large directors elected for 1987-90 and their class years are:

John M. Ballengee (B.B.A. 1972) of Charleston, W.Va., senior vice president, (Charleston National Bank; Becky L. Domokos-Bays (B.S. 1976) of Blacksburg, Va., instructor, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, and Pat J. White (A.B. 1972, M.A. 1974) of Man, W. Va., reading supervisor, kindergarten-sixth grade, Logan County Board of Education. He formerly was the Logan Chapter's representative to the Alumni Board.

Diane L. Slaughter (B.A. 1979) of Charleston, W. Va., administrative assistant, West Virginia Society of CPAs, was re-elected.

Cabell-Wayne Area directors elected are: Richard D. Blenko (B.B.A. 1976), vice president, Blenko Glass, Inc.; Philip E. Cline (B.S. 1955, M.A. 1962), vice president, finance and treasurer, J.H. Fletcher & Co.; Dr. Robert A. Hess (B.S. 1980, M.D. 1984) a physician who will be joining the Huntington Internal Medicine Group, Inc., in June, after completing his residency; Gary A. Pommerenck (B.B.A. 1971), president, C.M. Love & Co. Hardware, and John Jay White (B.A. 1976), president, RJR Drilling Co., Inc. Pommerenck and John Jay White were presidential appointees to the Alumni Board last year. All are Huntington residents.

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Dr. Sam E. Clagg, retired professor and chairman of Marshall's Geography Department and acting MU president 1083-85, was re-elected. He received his A.B. degree from Marshall in 1942 and his M.A. degree in 1947.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Dr. John R. Spears, formerly staff director for the West Virginia Legislature's Commission on Employment Opportunities and Economic Development, has been named interim director of Marshall University's Center for Regional Progress.

The Center for Regional Progress was established in 1984 to assist organizations and individuals in the business, public and private sectors and utilize faculty and staff expertise in technical, scientific and management areas to enhance economic and community development in the region, according to Dr. Robert F. Maddox, vice president for academic affairs at Marshall.

"The center is designed to serve as a 'bridge' between Marshall and southern West Virginia communities, enabling the university to offer its resources to meet economic and community development needs," said Maddox.

To serve this approach, four types of assistance are offered by the center: technical and research assistance; counseling and referral services; continuing education seminars, workshops and lectures, and research and cooperative education programs.

"We are very happy Dr. Spears has agreed to serve as interim director, replacing Byron Carpenter who died unexpectedly earlier this year," said Maddox. "He has a wealth of experience in economic development and working with governmental agencies and organizations, as well as individuals in the private business sector. He will be able to step right in and

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take charge of our existing programs, while at the same time explore new cooperative programs and partnerships."

A native of Morgantown, Spears received his bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees from West Virginia University.

Prior to accepting the position at Marshall, he served as adjunct associate professor of industrial relations at the West Virginia College of Graduate Studies and served in various administrative capacities at Salem College and Glenville State College.

He served as president of the West Virginia Safety Council and chairman of the Governor's Conference on Safety and Health.

Spears is a member of the State Health Coordinating Council, the Advisory Legislative Affairs Committee of the Mine Safety and Health Administration, the Bureau of Labor Statistics Labor Research Council, and the American Federation of Teachers.

"Dr. Spears has been involved in a variety of activities that will be of benefit to the Center for Regional Progress," Maddox said. "He established the AFL-CIO research department in Washington, D.C., and administered its \$2,000,000 budget, and has negotiated more than \$30,000,000 in government contracts for education, training and job development programs. He has a number of proven skills that will help the center establish programs to help West Virginia."

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May 6, 1987

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Dr. Katherine W. Simpkins, professor of educational foundations at Marshall University, has announced her retirement after 16 years of service at Marshall University.

She received her bachelor's degree from Eastern Kentucky University, her master's from Bowling Green University and her doctorate from Ohio University, where she was the recipient of a teaching fellowship.

Prior to joining the Marshall faculty in 1971, Dr. Simpkins taught school on various levels in West Virginia, Ohio and New Mexico. She also lectured at the Kanawha Valley Graduate School, West Virginia University and Ohio University.

She has been involved in numerous professional and community activities including the National Education Association, the National Society for the Study of Education, the International Reading Association and the National Association of School Psychologists, and she has served as organist, choir director and music director for several churches.

Dr. Simpkins has been actively involved in the international education of students, and since 1980 has led groups of educators on tours throughout western Europe.

Her next tour will be held this June and July when she will lead a 21-day tour of Denmark, Holland, Germany and Switzerland.

She will continue to serve as organist for the Second Presbyterian Church in Huntington after her retirement, and plans to travel and visit her family and friends throughout the United States. She also plans to spend time working with her flowers, adapting some of her photographs for needle point projects, and writing.

She is married to O. Norman Simpkins, who retired from Marshall last year after 26 years of service as a professor of sociology and anthropology.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- The West Virginia Board of Regents, meeting Tuesday in Parkersburg, approved the concept of a "Metro Fee" which would permit students from Lawrence County, Ohio, and Boyd, Greenup and Carter counties in Kentucky to attend Marshall University at reduced costs.

The Metro Fee, approved on a two-year trial basis, is expected to be part of the overall fee structure for Marshall when the board acts on fees for 1987-88, probably next month.

"We're very pleased that the board has approved the concept of a Metro Fee for Marshall students," MU President Dale F. Nitzschke said. "The Tri-State Area in which we are located has the potential of becoming one educational, economic, social and cultural unit. We believe it is essential that we be able to reach across the state borders to help with the economic and educational development of this entire Tri-State Area."

Under the proposal, full-time students living in the four counties in Kentucky and Ohio would have their Marshall fees reduced \$516 per semester at the undergraduate level and \$571 at the graduate level next fall.

Marshall's requested -- but still not approved -- fee structure for 1987-88 shows West Virginia residents attending MU as full-time students paying \$548 a semester. An Ohioan or Kentuckian qualifying for the Metro Fee would pay \$907 and a non-resident student would pay \$1,423. At the graduate level, the in-state fee would be \$588, the Metro Fee would be \$1,002 and the non-resident fee would be \$1,573 per semester.

Currently, Marshall has about 800 students from Ohio and Kentucky, including about 500 from the affected counties.

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Nitzschke said he viewed the Metro Fee as another step in continuing efforts to bring together the communities in the Huntington-Ashland-Ironton metropolitan area for the common good of the area's residents.

"As a result of some very strong leadership efforts in the three communities, we now have a River Cities Cultural Council which is bringing about some significant advances," Nitzschke said. "And last fall, the Lawrence County, Ohio United Way effort was joined with the Cabell-Wayne United Way to form a River Cities United Way campaign -- a very successful campaign which exceeded its goal. I see the Metro Fee plan as being very much in harmony with those efforts and additional efforts to bring us closer together in the future.

"Marshall University has a significant role to play in our metropolitan area, including the adjacent counties in Ohio and Kentucky," Nitzschke said. "The new fee structure will permit Marshall to more fully exercise its responsibility of providing leadership in the economic and cultural development of the region. The positive results stemming from this action on the major industries and the local business community can be of incalculable value."

Nitzschke discussed the Metro Fee concept, under development for several months, with the Board of Regents at its Monday work session.

"No master plan for the general revival and future growth of this area can succeed without the active involvement of higher education, and the only way this can occur is to permit Marshall University the widest possible flexibility in addressing the needs of the entire Tri-State Region," he added. "The action of the Board of Regents goes a long way in allowing Marshall to assume that role."

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May 7, 1987

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Marshall University has selected six students to serve as orientation assistants to coordinate and lead this summer's New Student Orientation Program.

The students are: Gwen Johnson, a junior marketing major from Hinton; Kenneth Green, a sophomore accounting major from Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; Terri L. Neff, a senior computer science major from Alderson; Robert Christopher, a senior math major from Parkersburg; Nora J. Loomis, a senior special education major from Point Pleasant, and Jim Musser, a political science graduate student from Catlettsburg, Ky.

New Student Orientation programs are conducted during the summer and immediately preceding the fall and spring terms to introduce freshmen, parents and transfer students to faculty and administrative staff members.

During orientation sessions, faculty members and student assistants inform and advise incoming students regarding university policies, regulations and community life, and assist them in developing their academic programs.

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May 8, 1987

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--The 10th annual Marshall University Mathematics Competition will be held Monday, May 11, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Smith Hall.

Seventy-one high school students from throughout West Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky will compete for cash prizes totaling \$650, provided by the Marshall University Foundation.

The winner of the competition will receive \$200, the second place finisher \$125, the third place finisher \$75, and the fourth place winner will receive \$50. The fifth through 12th place finishers will each receive \$25.

Students will participate in a three-hour examination designed to test mathematical creativity, insight and expression, according to Laura Adkins, Marshall's Mathematics Department.

"The problems call for a great deal of mathematical knowledge," said Adkins. "However, our judges also will be looking for clarity of expression and logical thinking."

Students have been invited to stay at the university Sunday night, and a variety of activities have been planned for them. Before the competition begins Monday morning, the students will attend a continental breakfast in Smith Hall. When the test is completed, the students will remain on the campus, while the judges grade the examinations.

The competition is being sponsored by the Marshall Mathematics Department and Pi Mu Epsilon mathematics honorary.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Mathematics Department, 696-6482.

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May 10, 1987

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Dr. George T. Arnold, professor of journalism at Marshall University for the past 19 years, is the first recipient of the university's Marshall and Shirley Reynolds Outstanding Teacher Award.

Announcement of the award was made by MU President Dale F. Nitzschke during Marshall's Sesquicentennial Commencement ceremonies Saturday (May 9). As the outstanding teacher, Arnold was asked to serve as the university's 150th anniversary Commencement speaker.

"The faculty is the heart and soul of this or any other university," Nitzschke said. "Since this is our Sesquicentennial Year, we felt it would be most appropriate that the Commencement speaker be an outstanding representative of the Marshall University faculty. George Arnold, who is highly respected by both his students and his colleagues, is exactly that -- an outstanding professor."

The award was established with a \$30,000 gift by Marshall and Shirley Reynolds of Huntington. Mr. Reynolds is chairman of the board of Key Centurion Bancshares, Inc. and general manager of Chapman Printing Co. The gift was invested and annual proceeds will be used to provide a \$3,000 stipend to the winner of the outstanding teacher award.

The selection was made by a faculty committee which attended classes of nominees and interviewed colleagues and students. Other finalists were Dr. Elaine Baker, professor of psychology; Dr. James E. Douglass, professor of chemistry, and Dr. Simon D. Perry, professor and chairman of political science.

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A native of Kimball, McDowell County, Arnold is a graduate of Woodrow Wilson High School in Beckley and received an A.A. degree from Beckley College. He earned his bachelor's degree in social studies, English and journalism at Marshall in 1963 and a master's degree in history, also at Marshall, in 1965. He received his Ph.D. degree *summa cum laude* in mass communications and journalism from Ohio University.

Arnold joined the Marshall faculty in 1968. His previous experience includes work as a reporter and assistant sports editor for the Raleigh Register in Beckley and reporter with the Huntington Herald-Dispatch. He also taught at Stoco High School in Coal City, W.Va. for three years.

He is one of two charter members elected to the West Virginia High School Journalism Teachers Hall of Fame and is a member of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communications and the Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi. He also is a member of Phi Kappa Phi scholastic honorary.

He is married to the former Connie Kish and they are the parents of a daughter, Alexandria Amick of Daniels, W.Va.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Marshall University Vice President for Financial Affairs Harry E. "Buster" Neel will assume additional responsibilities and an additional title -- executive vice president -- under an organizational change announced today by MU President Dale F. Nitzschke.

The organizational change was approved by the West Virginia Board of Regents at its meeting last week.

"In order to achieve some of the goals we've set for Marshall University and, in fact, West Virginia, I have had to emphasize the Marshall President's external role," Nitzschke said. "At the same time, there's an internal, day-to-day management role which is equally time consuming. I'm confident this organizational change will permit Mr. Neel to assist me tremendously in that very important management aspect of the job," he added.

"We're very fortunate to have Buster Neel," Nitzschke said. "He enjoys the confidence and respect of all constituencies at Marshall and he has an especially close working relationship with the other vice presidents. He has the ability to effectively manage day-to-day internal decisions and is fully capable of increasing the scope of his responsibilities to include those of executive vice president."

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A native of Montgomery, Ala., Neel was serving as vice chancellor for finance at Auburn University-Montgomery before joining the Marshall administration in July, 1985. He is a graduate of Huntingdon College in Montgomery and earned his M.B.A. degree from Auburn University where he also has completed much of the work toward his doctoral degree.

Neel joined the staff at University of Auburn-Montgomery in 1976 as bursar and purchasing manager and subsequently served as accounting manager, comptroller, acting vice chancellor for finance and chief financial officer. He was named vice chancellor for finance Oct. 1, 1984.

He served as an instructor and coach at University Military School in Mobile, Ala., from 1970 to 1973 and was assistant personnel officer for First Alabama Bank of Montgomery from 1973 to 1976.

Neel and his wife, Betty, are the parents of a daughter, Keri.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Marshall University's Fairfield Stadium has been found safe for another season's use, MU President Dale F. Nitzschke said today.

He said Dr. Peter Korda, the Columbus, Ohio engineer who has inspected the stadium annually since 1983, had verified the results of a recent inspection in a conversation with MU Director of Plant and Administrative Operations Harry E. Long. Korda's written report is due to arrive here later this week.

Korda's most recent investigation of the stadium's safety aspects centered on the West Stands. As a result of an earlier study by Korda, the stadium's East Stands were removed in 1984 and replaced with temporary bleachers.

"Dr. Korda said it will be necessary for us to continue the type of maintenance work we've been doing on the West Stands and that they will be structurally safe for the 1987 football season." Nitzschke said. He said the temporary bleachers on the east side of the stadium also had been inspected for safety.

The university annually spends between \$18,000 and \$20,000 with contractors to replace deteriorated concrete in the West Stands in addition to routine maintenance work performed by university personnel, Nitzschke said.

Athletic Director David Braine said he was relieved to learn that the stadium could be used for the 1987 season. "We've looked at alternatives, but there is no satisfactory alternative to

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playing our games here in Huntington in our own stadium," Braine said. "I just hope we can get some movement toward construction of a new stadium before we are forced to abandon Fairfield," he added.

Earlier, Braine had looked into the possibility of using Charleston's Laidley Field if it became necessary and was told that facility could be made available. "That, of course, would be only an emergency solution and one we hope we can avoid," Braine said.

Dr. Korda has conducted annual inspections of Fairfield under a subcontract with the Huntington architectural firm of Dean & Dean which has had the contract to oversee Fairfield's condition for the university.

The West Virginia Board of Regents has accepted a consultant's report recommending construction of a new stadium for Marshall. Plans call for building a 30,000-seat stadium at a cost of about \$25 million.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Marshall University's Learning Disabilities Summer Program for elementary and secondary students will be held June 17 through July 17, according to Dr. Barbara P. Guyer, associate professor of education at Marshall and coordinator of the Learning Disabilities Program.

The elementary program will be held at Meadows Elementary School. Students in grades one through three will meet from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Students in grades four and five will meet from 10:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

The secondary program for students in grades six through 12 will meet on the Marshall campus in Corbly Hall from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Secondary students may repeat one course that was failed during the school year. In order to repeat a course, students must attend from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 12:30 to 4:30 p.m.

"Both programs will feature small groups of four or five students per teacher and will be grouped according to age, intelligence and learning problems," said Dr. Guyer. "We will concentrate on improving spelling, reading, written expression, handwriting and math. Younger students who have coordination problems will receive help in that area and we will give attention to test taking skills, note taking and study skills for the older students."

All students must be learning disabled and have been tested by their school system, a private doctor or a university clinic. Dr. Guyer said they must have a copy of the report from the test before a student can be admitted.

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The cost of the program will be \$85 for elementary students and \$95 for students in grades six through 12. There will be an additional charge of \$20 for students who repeat classes.

To obtain further details about the program, which is being sponsored by Marshall University and Cabell County Schools, contact Dr. Guyer or the Marshall University Department of Special Education, 696-2340.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Silver medallions marking Marshall University's Sesquicentennial have been struck and now are available at the MU Bookstore, Sesquicentennial Chairman Sam Clagg announced today.

The medallion, weighing one troy ounce, has the Marshall logo and the words "Sesquicentennial -- Marshall University -- 1837-1987" on its face. The obverse features a buffalo, symbolic of Marshall's Thundering Herd athletic teams. Each medallion comes in a case.

"The Sesquicentennial Committee believes many people -- alumni and friends of Marshall -- will want a tasteful, moderately-priced keepsake of the university's 150th anniversary," Clagg said. "After a great deal of consideration, we decided the silver medallion would be most appropriate."

The medallion can be obtained at the MU Bookstore for \$25 plus \$1.25 sales tax, Clagg said. It also is available with a silver chain attached for \$35 plus \$1.75 sales tax. A shipping and handling charge of \$1.50 will be added for mail orders.

Clagg said the medallion was struck by Liberty Mint in Provo, Utah and the 1,000 copies were provided by American Commemoratives of Hugheston, W.Va.

Any proceeds from the sale will be used to support Sesquicentennial activities, he said.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Feature twirlers, majorettes, rifle and flag corps members have been selected for the 1987-88 edition of Marshall University's Marching Band, the Big Green Marching Machine, according to Dr. Richard W. Lemke, associate professor of music and director of bands at Marshall.

Angela K. Vincent of Washington has been selected as the band's feature twirler.

Returning for their sophomore year as the band's "Twin Twirlers" will be Yvette Ann Hicks and Yvonne Beth Hicks of Proctorville, Ohio. The Hicks sisters are the first identical twins in Marshall's history to be featured twirlers in the band.

Sherri McClung of Ironton, Ohio, will return as head majorette for her senior year, and Amy Hatfield of Huntington and Heather Shannon of Kenova will serve as co-captains of the majorette squad.

Alan French of Red House will captain the rifle corps, and Karen Jeff of South Charleston will return as captain of the flag corps.

Majorettes include: Karla Black of St. Albans; Lora Leigh Hagley of South Point, Ohio; Buffy Hunt of Ironton, Ohio; Sarah Justice of Williamson; Angie Kirk of Cross Lanes; Sherry L. Midkiff of Hamlin; Teresa Miller of Huntington; Cathy Rice of Kenova; Kristy Stratton of West Hamlin; Sandy Taylor of Ravenswood, and Lori Walters of Parkersburg.

Rifle corps members are: Butch Arnold of New Haven; Kelli Chaney of Hamlin; Lisa Mowder of Glen Dale; Deborah Mullins of Hurricane, and Jeff Williams of Bluefield.

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Members of the flag corps are: Marilyn Ann Adkins of Hamlin; Karen Beckley of Huntington; Jennifer Blake of Milton; Tish Clem of Washington; Missa Kusko of Weirton; Joa McCorkle of Oak Hill; Debbie McVey of Belpre, Ohio; Tammy Moore of Beckley; Antoinette Murphy of Beckley; Lesa Nida of Salt Rock; Missie Stewart of New Haven; Rachel Turner of Hurricane; Bill Whaley of South Point, Ohio; Angie Yoho of New Martinsville; Kathy Phillips of Tioga, and Cheryl Scott of Fayetteville.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Marshall University's fall enrollment picture continues to be bright, MU President Dale F. Nitzschke said today.

"As of May 1, our freshman admissions are running 16 percent ahead of the same time last year," Nitzschke said. "In addition, requests for scholarship assistance are up 33 percent and there has been a substantial increase in applications for rooms in campus residence halls."

Nitzschke said a report from Director of Admissions James W. Harless shows freshman admissions at 2,875 as of May 1, an increase of 406 over the 2,469 who had been admitted a year ago.

"We're very pleased with the figures," Harless said. "At the same time, we know the final outcome won't be determined until September when the actual enrollment figures are in."

Historically, Harless said, Marshall enrolls between 60 and 65 percent of those who are accepted for admission, as opposed to the national average of about 50 percent.

"A number of factors seem to be coming together to make Marshall University better known and appreciated throughout West Virginia," Harless said. "We're seeing strong indications of interest from some areas of the state which sent their high school graduates to other schools in the past."

He credited programs such as the Society of Yeager Scholars, SCORES (Search Committee on Recruiting Excellent Students) and the

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annual Academic Festival with increasing the visibility of Marshall's academic quality. "We're placing our emphasis on recruiting the very best students in the state, and it's paying off," Harless said.

Harless also cited several other factors in evaluating the significant increase in admissions:

--An attractive, compact campus which permits students to move between classes and from residence halls to classrooms with relative ease.

--The attractiveness of Huntington and its shopping, recreation and entertainment opportunities.

--Marshall's accessibility for the handicapped, along with programs to assist handicapped individuals.

--Relatively small classes.

--Improvements in the admission process to make it more "personalized."

Last fall, Marshall enrolled 11,436 students, a slight increase over the year before. Enrollment for the just-completed Spring Term was up 6 percent over the previous year.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- CSX Corporation has pledged \$100,000 to Marshall University's Society of Yeager Scholars, MU Vice President for Institutional Advancement Keith L. Scott announced today.

A check for the first \$20,000 installment was presented to MU President Dale F. Nitzschke by W.E. Gilstrap, vice president of regional operations for CSX.

"As one of this area's most important corporate citizens, CSX has been supportive of the Society of Yeager Scholars from the very outset of the program," Nitzschke said. "This latest contribution emphasizes CSX's commitment not only to the Yeager Scholars and Marshall University, but to the entire community. We're grateful for that commitment."

Nitzschke noted that CSX President John Snow had arranged for an antique rail car carrying a group of Marshall officials to be transported by the Amtrak system to Washington, D.C. in February, 1986 when establishment of the Society of Yeager Scholars was announced at the National Press Club.

Snow also serves on the Society's national board of directors.

Scott said the gift will be invested and annual proceeds will be used to meet expenses of Yeager Scholars.

Named in honor of General Chuck Yeager, the West Virginian who broke the "sound barrier" in an experimental aircraft in 1947, the Society of Yeager Scholars each year will enroll 20 of the nation's outstanding

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high school graduates at Marshall and provide them an enriched, intensified academic program, including travel abroad.

The first class, designated the Ashland Class, will begin studies next fall.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Marshall University's Gamma Mu chapter of Pi Omega Pi national business teacher education honor society has been recognized as national champion for its outstanding accomplishments during the 1986-87 Pi Omega Pi competition year.

Marshall's chapter ranked first among 151 chapters of Pi Omega Pi in the national chapter award competition.

The chapters were judged on a number of activities that took place throughout the year including: a national project which would be beneficial to business education nationwide; community activities; representation at the national convention; a publication of value to the business education field; reports to the national chapter, and articles on business education for the national Pi Omega Pi newsletter.

Elma Chapman, associate professor and director of office technology and Gamma Mu adviser, said it is a great honor to be selected as the best chapter in country and credited the students for their hard work and enthusiasm in obtaining such an honor.

Members of the Marshall chapter of Pi Omega Pi are: Juanita Scaggs of Logan, president; Lee Ann Marcum Plumley of Lavalette, past president; Joyce Peters of Barboursville; Kim Kerley of Man; Virginia Taylor of Chattaroy; Patricia Smith of Milton; Judy Snyder of South Point, Ohio; Paula Pierson of Frametown; Kristi Sias of Man; Sue Bush of Whitman; Rhonda Burgess of McConnell; Evelyn Capper of Huntington; Kathy Elkins of Logan, and Patricia Bennett of Parkersburg.

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Ms. Chapman said three other members were active during the first part of the year before they graduated. They were Conrad Lucas of Branchland, Karen Tackett of Bridgeport, and Kim Cremeans of West Hamlin.

In a letter to Ms. Chapman, Dr. Donald A. Nellermore, past president of Pi Omega Pi, said, "Your accomplishment reflects positively on your chapter, your business education students and your university.

"The purposes of Pi Omega Pi have been achieved in an exceptional manner. Your chapter has achieved this high honor because of the dedication and joint efforts of the students and faculty at Marshall University.

"The future of business teaching should be bright for your students. They will be able to talk of being national champions in the same light as our sports heroes do. Your students, however, will have a longer and greater impact on their students than most other national champions."

Other schools in the top 10 included: the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, Arizona State University, Indiana State University, Emporia State College, Central Michigan University, Fort Hays State College, Eastern Illinois University, Bowling Green State University, and Montclair State College.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--A workshop titled "Child Assault Safety Action" will be held at Marshall University on Friday, June 12, from 8:45 a.m. to noon in Memorial Student Center Room 2W22.

The workshop will be divided into two sections. The first session will focus on the abduction of children by non-custodial parents and include discussions on child recovery, the causes of abduction, parental rights, legal implications, role playing and ways to resolve critical issues, according to Robert L. Lawson, director of continuing education at Marshall's Community College.

The second section will focus on child abuse and neglect and cover the causes of abuse, types of abuse, parental responsibilities and ways to resolve problems.

Aleta Mays, who received her bachelor's degree in social work from Rio Grande College and has done extensive study on the subject of child abuse, will be the guest speaker for the workshop.

A panel discussion featuring area child care professionals and members of the audience will be held at the conclusion of the program.

There will be a registration fee of \$25 per person for the workshop, or \$20 per person for individuals from groups or agencies sending more than one representative.

To obtain further details contact Robert L. Lawson, Marshall University Community College, 696-3646.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--The Marshall University Research Board has awarded four Graduate Student Summer Research Grants totaling \$1,400, according to Dr. Leonard J. Deutsch, acting dean of the Marshall University Graduate School.

The four students who received grants of \$350 and their research subjects are: Jeffrey Harmon of Crothersville, Ind., "Determination of Condition Indices of the Freshwater Clam *Anodonta imbecillis* in Ponds at the McClintic Wildlife Station, Mason County, W.Va."; Amy Kokesh of Charleston, "The Bog Forest Community at Cranberry Glades, W.Va."; Doug Pittman of Pt. Pleasant, "Genetic Characterization of Chromosomal Breakpoints in a Model Eukaryotic System," and Mark Watson of Huntington, whose subject deals with the growth of the Bracken fern, *Pteridium Aquilinum*.

The students will submit progress reports and a final report on the conclusions of their research to the Graduate School when their work is completed.

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May 19, 1987

For Immediate Release

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--"The Yeager Collection" donated to Marshall University by Brig. Gen. Charles E. "Chuck" Yeager and his family has been officially valued at \$535,000, MU President Dale F. Nitzschke announced today.

At the time the gift was announced, March 18, university officials estimated the value of the collection at "well in excess of \$200,000."

Since then, Nitzschke said, an official appraisal has been completed by John R. Payne of Austin, Texas, considered one of the foremost appraisers of such collections in the country.

The collection includes personal and business correspondence, manuscripts, photographs, business files, art works, awards, trophies, audio and video tapes, films, books and memorabilia of General Yeager's colorful career. Among the items is the static tube from the Bell X-1 experimental aircraft which measured the speed of Yeager's flight when he became the first pilot to break the sound barrier, Oct. 14, 1947.

Yeager, who is honorary national chairman of Marshall's new Society of Yeager Scholars, donated the materials to the Marshall Foundation for the Society. Under the agreement with the Foundation, the collection is to be kept closed to the public until after the deaths of General Yeager and Mrs. Yeager, although Marshall officials may select some items for display.

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A native of nearby Lincoln County, Yeager was an aerial combat hero in World War II before becoming the nation's best-known test pilot with his faster-than-sound flight of the Bell X-1. Fifteen years after that flight, which laid the foundation for manned space travel, he became commander of the Aerospace Research Pilot School at Edwards Air Force Base, California.

His exploits have been chronicled in the book, "The Right Stuff," and a motion picture with the same title, as well as his best-selling autobiography, "Yeager."

Marshall established the Society of Yeager Scholars in his honor last year and Yeager has provided strong support for the program which annually will enroll 20 of the nation's outstanding high school seniors and provide them with four years of enriched academic work at Marshall.

The appraiser, John R. Payne, worked for 16 years with the Harry Ransom Humanities Research Center, the rare books library for the University of Texas at Austin, in positions ranging from associate librarian to acting director. He received a master's degree in library and information science with emphasis on manuscripts, archives, rare books and special collections in 1967 and then was awarded a Lilly Fellowship for the study of rare books at the Lilly Library, Indiana University. He is a senior member of the American Society of Appraisers.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Dr. Jabir A. Abbas, professor of political science at Marshall University, has been selected to participate in the 1987 Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad Program, according to Peter W. Schramm, director of the United States Department of Education's Center for International Education.

Abbas will travel to Egypt to take part in a seminar titled "Contemporary Egypt" from June 20 through Aug. 1.

While in Egypt, he plans to do research on the problem of food production and population and the development of the Islamic fundamentalist movement.

The program will be intensive, with little time for leisurely activities, according to Abbas. Each morning will begin with lectures, followed by tours and visits to various sites throughout the country that usually will be related in some way to the morning lectures. Arabic lessons and seminars will be held in the afternoons.

A wide variety of topics will be covered during the 42-day program, which will utilize facilities at the American University in Cairo.

Topics will include cultural subjects, history, economics, agriculture, political science, foreign policy, architecture, and various other subjects, including a session titled "Women in Modern Arab Society," which tentatively includes a meeting with the wife of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

Special excursions planned during the seminar include one-day trips to the village of Al-Bassaysa, the Suez Canal and the American University

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of Cairo's Desert Development Center, and a five-day trip to Luxor and
Aswan.

A native of Baghdad, Iraq, Abbas has never been to Egypt, although
he has studied the country extensively and teaches several courses related
to Egypt. His doctoral dissertation was titled "Points of Departure in
Egypt's Foreign Policy: Essence of Nasser's Power." He said he also learned
about the country from books, films and lectures and regularly listens to
Radio Cairo.

"This Fulbright-Hays grant will be of tremendous help to me in my
teaching," said Abbas. "I will have the opportunity to study Egypt first
hand and will be able to relate this experience to my students."

Abbas received an LL. B. degree from the Iraqi Law College in 1948
and received his master's and doctoral degrees from Indiana University.
He has been a member of the Marshall faculty since 1962, except for a
two-year period from 1967 to 1969 when he taught at Southwest Texas State
University. Prior to coming to the United States, Abbas worked for the
Iraq Ministry of Education.

He has been involved in various community and professional organizations
and has specialized in Arabic and Islamic studies of the governments and
politics of the Middle East and North Africa, particularly Egypt, Iran,
Iraq, Israel, Palestine and Saudi Arabia.

Within 60 days of the seminar, Abbas will be required to submit a
performance report evaluating the seminar, its educational worth, admin-
istrative aspects and the title and status of his required research project.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Marshall University President Dale F. Nitzschke and three Marshall faculty members will join a group of 20 educators from throughout West Virginia on a trip to Rome May 26 through June 4 in an effort to establish a program of foreign study for West Virginia students.

The educators will be representing FACDIS (Faculty and Course Development in International Studies), a consortium of all West Virginia colleges and universities.

"Our objective is to develop a West Virginia relationship with the Academy for Italian Studies (AIS), so West Virginia students will be able to go there to study in a cross-cultural atmosphere," said Dr. Clair W. Matz, professor of political science and director of Marshall's Center for International Studies, who will be a member of the tour.

Other Marshall faculty members who will be making the trip include Jane E. Rhoades, assistant professor of art, and Dr. Harold T. Murphy, professor and chairman of modern languages.

"FACDIS has been negotiating with AIS for some time and sent a representative to Italy last year to make preliminary arrangements," Matz said. "Since then, we have had extensive correspondence with the Italian institution and they have invited this group of 20 to visit the school and examine its curriculum and programs."

Matz said if the group approves of AIS and its programs, FACDIS will begin to recruit students from West Virginia to go to Italy next summer.

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Three courses for West Virginia students would be taught during the summer program: "International Business," "The History of the Roman Catholic Church Through Its Art," and a course on Italian culture and language.

If the summer program is successful, students will be able to go to AIS for programs during the fall semester of 1988 and the spring semester of 1989.

"Eventually, this will be a continuing program and we expect faculty members from West Virginia colleges and universities to be invited to serve residencies at AIS for a semester or academic year," Matz said.

"This trip is a kind of familiarization tour and inspection to assure FACDIS of the academic quality and integrity of the AIS programs. We feel the programs will be approved and that students who go to study in Italy will earn academic credit for their study abroad program and it will not interrupt their normal matriculation schedule."

Dr. John Maxwell, a professor of history at West Virginia University, will lead the FACDIS group.

The Academy of Italian Studies is located approximately 20 miles from Rome in a converted monastery. "Apparently, the rooms we will be staying in will be the same rooms the monks used to use," Matz said. "I understand the monastery looks something like an old castle, however it has been renovated and also is very modern."

Nitzschke explained that Marshall University is very interested in study abroad programs for its students and last year created the Center for International Studies to promote study abroad by Marshall students and faculty and to internationalize the Marshall curriculum and cultivate a constituency for international education.

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"We believe that in this day and age, people are not fully educated unless they have been exposed to another culture," said Nitzschke. "We want to work toward the day when most, if not all, Marshall students will have some cross-cultural experience during their education here. This program is another opportunity for students from West Virginia to get this valuable experience.

"International education lies at the heart of a well-rounded education," Nitzschke said. "Cross-cultural studies enrich our lives and make us better people in our own society. There is no better preparation for living in the future than seeing ourselves as others see us."

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Marshall University will serve as a host site for the first national video teleconference on adult illiteracy and its impact on the work force on Tuesday, June 23, at 7:30 p.m. in the WPBY TV studio in the MU Communications Building.

"The American Seminar: Literacy, Your Community and Its Work Force" has been designed to link leaders of literacy action programs with leaders from other community sectors to develop a comprehensive literacy education program for the local vicinity, according to Robert L. Lawson, director of continuing education at Marshall University's Community College.

Hugh Downs, host of the popular television news magazine "20/20," will serve as seminar moderator. Presentors will include Malcolm Baldrige, secretary of commerce; Martha Lane Collins, governor of Kentucky; Andrew Young, mayor of Atlanta; Benita Somerfield of the United States Department of Education, and various other representatives from education and business.

Major sessions will include "The Urgency of the Illiteracy Problem for Our Country's Work Force," "How Are Communities Responding to the Problem?: Solutions Underway," "Where Can Communities Turn for Help?: Resources for Literacy Programs," "Community College Literacy Programs and Services," and "Next Steps for Your Community."

After each major session there will be a linkup of the various host sites so participants can ask questions and interact with the presentors.

"The program has been designed for anyone interested in the problem

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of illiteracy," said Lawson. "It is for educators, community leaders, business leaders, and other interested persons."

There will be a \$5 registration fee. To obtain further details contact Robert L. Lawson at Marshall University's Community College, 696-3646.

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May 23, 1987

For immediate release

For more information call Beverly McCoy, 696-6453

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- Five Marshall University School of Medicine students will participate in nationally competitive educational or research programs this summer and fall, school officials have announced.

The students are Greta Guyer and Felicity Warren of Huntington, Mitsuko Perry Shannon of Wayne, Terry Smith of Scott Depot, and Gabrielle Fodor of Morgantown.

Ms. Guyer will be a research assistant at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York. She will work with Dr. Richard Rivlin on projects studying nutrition as it relates to cancer development and treatment.

Ms. Warren will participate in the Summer Research Fellowship Program of the National Institutes of Health. She will work in the Laboratory of Molecular Genetics at the National Institute of Aging. While at Marshall, she has worked on molecular genetics research with Dr. John Foster, and has been co-author of two scientific papers.

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Ms. Shannon will take a senior elective at the National Institute of Mental Health this fall. She will help study medications designed to treat mental health problems such as autism or attention deficit disorders in children.

Ms. Smith is one of 34 students nationwide chosen to participate in the Appalachian Student Health Coalition of Vanderbilt University. The coalition attempts to provide both direct services and long-term benefits to communities through such programs as health fairs and community health surveys.

Ms. Fodor will participate in the annual week-long University of Utah School on Alcoholism. She received a grant covering transportation and tuition from the J.M. Foundation, a medical student scholarship program for study of alcoholism and other drug dependencies.



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May 26, 1987

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Two video highlights of Marshall University's Sesquicentennial observance now are available on VHS videotapes, Sesquicentennial Chairman Sam Clagg announced today.

WPBY-TV's half-hour Sesquicentennial documentary, "Marshall at 150," has been turned over to the Sesquicentennial Committee, which assisted in financing the production, Clagg said. In addition, the VHS tapes will include 31 "Marshall Minutes" produced by the university's Instructional Television Service and broadcast by WSAZ-TV.

The tapes can be obtained from the Marshall Bookstore at a cost of \$19.95 each plus \$1 sales tax. A \$1.50 shipping and handling charge will be added for mail orders.

"The two productions, 'Marshall at 150' and 'Marshall Minutes,' bring the university's history to life in a modern format," Clagg said. "A number of people have expressed an interest in having their own copies of the tapes since the WPBY production's broadcast on April 22. As a result, we have arranged to have copies made for those who want to have a video keepsake."

Clagg said any proceeds from sales of the tapes will be used to help fund other Sesquicentennial activities. The university's 150th year observance will continue throughout 1987.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Marshall University will hold new student orientation programs and special orientation sessions for parents during June, July and August, according to Dr. Don E. Robertson, assistant dean of student affairs/director of student orientation.

During the sessions, students will register for fall classes, meet deans and faculty members, learn about campus activities and organizations, tour the campus and meet fellow students.

Parents will be able to meet with Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke and academic deans, attend programs on financial aid and residence life, and discuss concerns with staff members from the university's offices of Student Affairs and Public Safety. They also will be able to talk with upperclass students.

"Studies have proven that students who attend summer orientation sessions are much better prepared for the fall semester than students who don't attend," said Robertson. "These students also tend to be successful throughout their college careers and generally are more successful than those students who do not attend orientation."

Robertson said parents play a major role in the success of their children at college, which is one reason the parent orientation sessions have been developed.

"The goal of the parent orientation programs, which are being held the same time as student sessions, is to answer questions, relieve fears and anxieties, introduce parents to the resources available to help

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students, and assure the parents that we really care about our students as individuals, not just as students enrolled in a particular major," explained Robertson.

Orientation programs will be held with specific dates for students interested in certain academic majors. Each session will begin at 8 a.m. in Memorial Student Center.

The sessions will be held on the following dates: Business (Honors)--June 18; Business--June 30, July 10, July 27; Education (Honors)--June 22; Education--July 8; Liberal Arts/Fine Arts (Honors)--June 23; Liberal Arts/Fine Arts--July 7, July 15, July 28; Science (Honors)--June 25; Science--July 1, July 22; Nursing/Special Services--June 26; Transfer Students--July 14; Community College--July 24; All Colleges--July 31; Orientation for all students, full and part time--Aug. 31.

Two special orientation sessions will be held for students planning to attend summer school. The first session will be held at the beginning of the first summer term on June 15. The second session will be held at the beginning of the second summer term on July 20.

There also will be two sessions for adults 25 years of age or older who plan to take classes for the first time or plan to re-enter college. These sessions will be held July 23 and Aug. 17.

To obtain further details about the orientation programs contact the Marshall University Orientation Office, 696-2354.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Awards totaling \$5,000 recently were presented to 18 Marshall University students who were winners of the William J. Maier Writing Competition, which is sponsored annually by the MU English Department.

The awards, established to recognize and encourage excellence in writing, were presented to the students by Edward H. Maier, president of the Sarah and Pauline Maier Scholarship Foundation of Charleston.

Michael F. Titus of Spencer and John Edwards of Huntington each received two awards.

Titus received a first place award of \$300 in the poetry division and an award of \$200 for tying for second place in the fiction division. Edwards received first place awards of \$300 in the fiction division and the personal essay division.

The winners were:

--Freshman Essay Division: First place tie (\$500 each), Debbie Monk of Culloden and Michael D. Wharton of Middlebourne; third place (\$300), Helen Marie Estep of Ranger; fourth place (\$200), Michael Newsome of Huntington; honorable mentions (\$100 each), Cynthia A. Davison of Gallipolis, Ohio, John C. Burks of Man, and Karen Hendricks of South Charleston.

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--Fiction Division: First place (\$300), John Edwards of Huntington;
second place tie (\$200 each), Pamela Steed Hill of Russell, Ky., and
Michael F. Titus of Spencer.

--Poetry Division: First place (\$300), Michael F. Titus of Spencer;
second place tie (\$200 each), Timothy Wellman of Huntington and Rosemary
McCuffin of Madison.

--Upper Division Literary Analysis: first place (\$300), Lana Elaine
Gillespie of Ironton, Ohio; second place (\$200), Irene Orrick of Ironton,
Ohio.

--Upper Division Non-Literary Essay: First place (\$300), Karen S.
Williams of Huntington.

--Upper Division Personal Essay: First place (\$300), John Edwards of
Huntington.

--Graduate English Paper: First place (\$300), Charles Hively of
Huntington; second place tie (\$200 each), Tamara Wysong of Princeton and
Paul A. Martin of Huntington.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--The Massey Foundation of Richmond, Va., has contributed \$25,000 in support of the Master of Business Administration program in Marshall University's College of Business, MU President Dale F. Nitzschke announced today.

In addition, he said, the foundation donated \$2,000 for the Learning Disabilities program conducted in Marshall's College of Education by Dr. Barbara Guyer.

"We appreciate Marshall University's efforts to assist the Massey subsidiaries in improving education and upgrading economic development in the areas in which we operate," Massey spokeswoman Deborah D. Herndon said. "The Massey Foundation is particularly interested in programs that have a positive effect on southern West Virginia and the two programs we are supporting this year certainly have great potential to do just that."

Dr. Keith L. Scott, MU vice president for institutional advancement, noted this is the second consecutive year in which the Massey Foundation has made significant contributions through the Marshall Foundation.

"Continuing support such as this will go a long way in helping not only Marshall University, but the entire population we serve," Scott said. "We're deeply appreciative of the Massey Foundation's commitment."

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Dr. Merideth Price Wiswell, professor of finance and business law at Marshall University, has announced his retirement after 17 years of service at the university.

Wiswell received his bachelor's degree from Washington and Lee University, his doctor of laws degree from the University of Michigan and his master of theology degree from the Claremont College School of Theology. In 1960 he received a master of laws degree from Yale University.

He entered private law practice in 1949 and joined the Marshall faculty in 1970. While at Marshall, he served several years as chairman of the university's Department of Finance and Business Law.

A native of Huntington, Wiswell has been active in community and professional organizations and has been a member of the American Bar Association and the American Judicature Society. He is a veteran of World War II and attained the rank of major in the United States Air Force Reserve.

He plans to continue to practice law in the Huntington area.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Regular registration for the first term of summer classes at Marshall University will be held Monday, June 15, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Registrar's Office, Room 1-B Old Main, according to Marshall Registrar Robert H. Eddins.

Late registration and schedule adjustments will take place Tuesday, June 16, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. A non-refundable \$15 late fee will be assessed for late registration.

Evening classes will begin June 15 and day classes will begin June 16. The first summer session will end July 17.

To obtain further details about registration contact the Marshall University Registrar's Office, 696-6413.

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Wendy's Establishes Endowment At Marshall in Memory of Employee

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Wendy's International announced today it will establish the Carol R. Carter Memorial Scholarship Fund at Marshall University in memory of an employee killed in a robbery in Huntington on May 4.

Proceeds from the fund will be used to assist with the cost of tuition, books and fees at Marshall for Wendy's crew members, crew leaders and shift managers in the Huntington area, where Wendy's operates four restaurants.

The endowment will be funded initially with a \$3,000 gift from Wendy's International, plus personal contributions from Robert L. Barney, Wendy's chairman and chief executive officer, and from James W. Near, the company's president.

The Marshall University Foundation, Inc. will administer the Carter Memorial Scholarship Fund. The Foundation will award a scholarship each year to an eligible Wendy's employee at the start of Marshall's fall term, beginning this year. Scholarship winners will be selected by the Foundation on the basis of academic achievement and need.

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Contributions to the Carol R. Carter Memorial Scholarship Fund may be made directly to the Foundation at this address: Carol R. Carter Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Marshall University Foundation, Inc., Post Office Box 2947, Huntington, W.Va. 25701.

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Editors, News Directors:

The local Wendy's representative is Ed Bradshaw, area director of the Huntington market. He may be reached by calling the Wendy's office in Charleston, 776-6732. Paul Raab, corporate communications manager, may be contacted at (614) 764-3413 in Dublin, Ohio.

--C.T. Mitchell, Director
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June 2, 1987

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For more information call Beverly McCoy, 696-6453

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- Dr. Jack H. Baur of the Marshall University School of Medicine assumed additional responsibilities and became executive associate dean for the school June 1, Dean Lester R. Bryant has announced.

Baur, associate dean for clinical affairs since 1982, now is authorized to act on the dean's behalf in making decisions and overseeing projects. He will continue to coordinate the school's residency program.

The new role was needed to keep the School of Medicine efficient and responsive, Dr. Bryant said.

"Decisions are needed constantly, and projects can't grind to a halt if I'm not available to make them," Bryant said. "With Dr. Baur authorized to make those decisions, we can keep things flowing more smoothly.

"Dr. Baur's knowledge of the school and the local medical community make him an ideal person for the job," Bryant added. "He has earned the confidence of School of Medicine faculty, other Marshall administrators, the local medical community, and our government leaders."

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Baur, a hematologist/oncologist, has practiced in Huntington since 1955. He spent 11 years as part of the Huntington Internal Medicine Group.

He is a fellow of the American College of Physicians and was that group's state governor from 1970 to 1975. He also is a member of several other professional organizations, including the medical honorary Alpha Omega Alpha.



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JULY 3, 1987

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Marshall University will conduct a special orientation designed for adults 25 years of age or older who plan to take college classes for the first time or re-enter college after a delay in their formal education on Thursday, July 23, from noon to 4:15 p.m. and Monday, Aug. 17, from 5 to 9:15 p.m.

"Nationally, adult students comprise a significant and growing segment of the student population in higher education," said Chris DeVos, coordinator of returning student programs at Marshall. "Approximately 40 percent of the students at the university are 25 or older."

DeVos said there are several reasons for resuming a formal education after the age of 25, including the upgrading of job skills, training for second or third career and intellectual stimulation.

"Whatever the reasons for resuming their education, these adult students bring to the classroom a different set of attitudes, values and expectations," said DeVos. "The orientation for returning students is being presented to answer questions and meet the needs of this new emerging student body population."

The orientation will consist of a number of special topics developed to assist adult students in their transition back to school. The sessions will include small group discussions led by current returning students, campus tours to familiarize adults with the university and a choice of three of the following programs: Financial Aid, Career Guidance, Academic Survival and the Regents Bachelor of Arts Degree Program.

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Representatives from the university's Admissions Office, College of Business, College of Education, College of Liberal Arts, College of Fine Arts, College of Science, Community College, Graduate School and School of Nursing will be present to answer questions and offer academic advice. Students also will be able to register for classes if they desire.

"Taking that first step back to school is a difficult task," DeVos said, "but many of the fears and anxieties that accompany this decision may be eased by attending this unique orientation. I would urge anyone 25 or older who has not attended college for at least three years to take advantage of this opportunity."

Participants in the Returning Student Orientation do not have to be enrolled at Marshall and are under no obligation to enroll in classes.

To obtain further details contact Chris DeVos at the Marshall University Counseling Center on the first floor of Prichard Hall between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or call 696-3111.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Seven Marshall University School of Nursing graduates received special awards during the school's recent Pinning and Awards Ceremony.

Sharon B. Ambrose, acting dean of the School of Nursing, said 46 students graduated from the Associate in Science in Nursing program and 29 students graduated from the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program.

Receiving the Highest Scholastic Achievement awards were Paula Hogsten of Ashland, Ky., and Kany Rutherford of Kenova for the B.S.N. program and Patricia Blankenship of Huntington for the A.S.N. program.

Other associate degree students receiving awards were Judith Hendrix of Huntington, Best Bedside Nurse Award, and Debra Schaefer of Charleston, Spirit of Nursing Award.

Receiving B.S.N. awards were Anjanette Morrison of Milton, Care Giver Award, and Paula Hogsten of Ashland, Ky., Professional Award and Leadership Award.

Nursing achievement pins were presented to the following graduates of the two-year associate degree program:

HUNTINGTON--Valerie Adkins, Teresa Arthur, Patricia Blankenship (high honors), Nancy Bostar, Terry Castle, Theresa Dillon, Kerri Egnor, Dee Freeman, Judith Hendrix (honors), Rhonda Holmes, Jennifer Kendrick, Pamela Lucas (high honors), Julie Parsley, Cheryl Ramey, Lisa Ransbottom, Jane Sheridan, Vicky Smith and Irene Taylor;

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BARBOURSVILLE--Katrina Cummings; BRANCHLAND--Daniel Hicks;
CHARLESTON--Debra Schaefer; ELIZABETH--Shelia DePue; FAYETTEVILLE--Sally
Salle; FOSTER--Annette Nester; HAMLIN--Mary Wade; HURRICANE--Melissa Cole;
INSTITUTE--Ruth Fletcher; KENOVA--Angel Rife; LIBERTY--Steve Johnson (honors);
MILTON--Sara Clagg and Elizabeth Murphy; MUNDAY--Melissa Munday;
NEW HAVEN--Anna Grinstead; ONA--Kimberly Young; POWHATAN--Alisa Scott;
PT. PLEASANT--Elsa Cox (honors) and Joe Wallis; RAINELLE--Nancy Mosrie;
RAVENSWOOD--Randall Deal (honors); SISTERSVILLE--Vicki Lancaster;
ST. ALBANS--Doris Wooline; WHITMAN--Carol Lynn Patterson;
KENTUCKY--Debra Hay, Grayson; Deanna Johnson, Catlettsburg; OHIO--
Sally Johnson, Proctorville; Margaret Singer, South Point.

Nursing achievement pins were presented to the following graduates
off the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program:

HUNTINGTON--Kimberly Ball, Karen Berry, Lori Butcher, Kathryn
Christian, Shawn Cline, Susan Hawes, Tawna Johnson (cum laude), Patricia
Mrgich, Cheryl Newsom, Kaye Norton, Melanie Perry (cum laude), Kathy
Sabber, Susan Updegraff, and Robin Walton;

CROSS LANES--Monica Short; KENOVA--Kany Rutherford (magna cum laude);
LOGAN--Carol Nunley (magna cum laude); MILTON--Anjanette Morrison;
MINERAL WELLS--Nannette Johnson (cum laude); RIPLEY--Cherie Knopp and
Valerie Parsons (cum laude); SALT ROCK--Deanna Parsons; ST. ALBANS--
Stacey Blythe;

KENTUCKY--Deborah Davis, Paula Hogsten, and Lora Humphreys (magna
cum laude) of Ashland; Peggy Dyer, Catlettsburg; Sandra Roberts, Wittensville;
OHIO--Norma Kirk, Chesapeake.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Applications for Marshall University's new "Metro Fee" classification for students living in Lawrence County, Ohio, and Boyd, Carter and Greenup counties in Kentucky are now available in the Registrar's Office and Admissions Office.

The Metro Fee will permit students living in the four counties in Ohio and Kentucky to attend Marshall University at reduced cost.

Under the program, which has been approved by the West Virginia Board of Regents on a two-year trial basis, full-time students in the designated counties will have their fees reduced \$516 per semester at the undergraduate level and \$571 at the graduate level, beginning next fall.

Eligible students should apply for the Metro Fee classification as soon as possible, according to MU Registrar Robert H. Eddins, and students receiving financial aid should try to be reclassified as Metro students prior to July 1.

Students must present completed application forms and appropriate documentation in person. Returning students should present applications to the Registrar's Office. New students should present applications to the Admissions Office.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Dr. Donald D. Chezik, professor of psychology at Marshall University, has announced his resignation as chairman of the Psychology Department.

Chezik, who has been chairman of the department since 1980, will become director of Marshall's Psychology Clinic, according to MU Vice President for Academic Affairs Carol A. Smith.

Dr. Elaine Baker, professor of psychology at Marshall for the past 5 years, will be the new department chairwoman.

Staffed by members of the university's psychology faculty, the Psychology Clinic provides free consultation and service for Marshall students and staff. The clinic also offers a wide range of workshops and programs for the general public.

A native of Iowa, Chezik earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from Michigan State University, and received his doctorate from Indiana University. Prior to accepting a position at Marshall in 1970, Chezik taught at Manchester College in Indiana.

Dr. Baker received her bachelor's degree from Heidelberg College,iffin, Ohio, and her master's and doctorate from Miami (Ohio) University. Prior to accepting a position at Marshall in 1972, she taught at Wilmington (Ohio) College.

She recently was named one of three finalists for the West Virginia Professor of the Year Award sponsored by the West Virginia Faculty Merit Foundation, and was one of four finalists for the Marshall University Outstanding Teacher Award.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Dr. Robert D. Wolff, professor of music and music education at Marshall University, has announced his retirement after 24 years of service at the university.

A native of Racine, Wis., he received his bachelor's degree magna cum laude from Carthage College, his master's degree magna cum laude from Northwestern University and his doctorate from Columbia University. He received several scholarships in school, as well as fellowships from Northwestern and Columbia.

He also attended the Fontainebleau School of Music in Paris, where he studied with Marcel Dupre and was the Winner Premier Pris (first place winner) in pipe organ competition.

Prior to accepting a position at Marshall in 1963, Wolff taught at Carthage College, served as music supervisor at Arlington Heights (Ill.) High School and taught at Columbia University.

While at Marshall, he served as chairman of the Division of Music Education and was a member of several university committees.

Wolff has been very active in professional and community affairs and has participated in various musical and dramatic organizations. He has served as president of the Community Players and the Musical Arts Guild, and has been a member of the American Association of University Professors, the West Virginia Music Educators Association, the Music Educators National Conference, the American Guild of Organists, the National Education Association and the American Conference of Teacher Education.

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He has written various articles and published guidebooks for music teachers in schools in Virginia and West Virginia, and has been a guest conductor and organist for musical organizations throughout the eastern United States.

Wolff also has been active in various community organizations such as the Kiwanis Club and the Masonic Lodge, and has served as organist and music director for numerous churches in the Tri-State area. He has been a member of Pi Kappa Lambda music honorary and has been listed in "Who's Who in the Mid-West."

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--An innovative program designed to help college students who have learning disabilities will be held at Marshall University June 17 through July 17.

The H.E.L.P. (Higher Education for Learning Problems) program was initiated last year after a successful pilot program demonstrated the need for this type of service, according to Dr. Barbara P. Guyer, program director and associate professor of education at Marshall.

"There are no similar programs in the region and only a few programs of this kind in the nation," said Dr. Guyer. "In the past we have enrolled students from throughout the United States and as far away as California."

Dr. Guyer said the program was designed with incoming college freshmen in mind, but will be open to any college student with a learning disability.

The program will help the students improve study skills and give them training that will help them successfully attend college.

"Participants will receive professional instruction and close supervision from certified learning disabilities teachers," explained Dr. Guyer. "There will be no more than four or five students per class, and they will be grouped according to age, type of learning problem and interests."

Students will be able to take one regular university course during the program. Tutors will work with the students to improve study and test-taking skills and improve other areas where the individuals might need assistance.

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Attention will be given to the student's strengths and weaknesses in reading recognition and comprehension, spelling, handwriting and written expression.

Instruction also will be directed toward lengthening attention spans, improving organizational skills and improving social perception skills.

"An intensive effort will be made to help the students learn that they can succeed in college classes with the appropriate assistance," Dr. Guyer said.

To obtain an application form or further details contact Dr. Guyer or the Marshall University Special Education Department, 696-2340.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--A special meeting to organize a southwest chapter of Software Valley, Inc., will be held at Marshall University on Wednesday, June 17, at 1:30 p.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2E11.

Software Valley, Inc., was established by United States Senator Robert Byrd to promote and encourage the development of high technology and software industries in West Virginia.

The southwest chapter will focus primarily on a region that includes Boone, Wayne, Putnam, Lincoln, Logan, Mingo and Mason counties in West Virginia and Lawrence and Gallia counties in Ohio, according to John R. Spears, interim director of Marshall University's Center for Regional Progress.

During the meeting, the chapter will be formally organized and officers will be elected.

Spears said the organization is open to anyone who is interested in developing the region as a center for high technology and software industries. He said the organization should be of particular interest to businessmen, industry leaders, those involved in education and representatives from various economic and governmental agencies.

"We would like to get representatives from each of the counties in the region to participate in the organizational meeting and join the local chapter," said Spears.

To obtain further details about the meeting or the local chapter of Software Valley, Inc., contact Spears or the Marshall University Center for Regional Progress, (304) 696-6797.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Marshall University's 11th annual Sports-Fitness Camp for youth in three different age groups will be held throughout July, according to Sharon Stanton, camp director and a member of Marshall's Health, Physical Education and Recreation Department.

Camps for children 5 to 7 years old and 8 to 12 years old will be held July 6-24. The 5 to 7 year-olds will meet from 8 to 10 a.m. Monday through Friday. Children 8 to 12 years old will meet from 8 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday.

Students 12 to 15 years of age will meet July 6-17 from 1 to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The camps will feature basic skills instruction in swimming and diving, tennis, volleyball, gymnastics, badminton, soccer, basketball, track and field, archery, racquetball and fitness activities.

Instructors will include Marshall University staff members and selected sports specialists and teachers from the community.

Campers will utilize facilities in Marshall's Henderson Center and other university sports facilities including the natatorium, racquetball courts, weight training room, tennis courts and gymnastics areas.

The cost of the three-week camp will be \$80 per camper for the 5-7 age group and \$99 per camper for the 8-12 age group. The fee for the two-week camp for the 12 to 15 age group will be \$45. The camp for older students will be limited to 40 participants.

Each week of the various camps can be prorated for campers unable to attend the full sessions.

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University Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, 696-6477.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--A graduate seminar on the American economic system designed to teach economic basics to teachers in the K-12 curriculum will be held at Marshall University June 22 through July 10.

"American Capitalism Seminar" will be offered through the university's College of Business and the College of Education and will carry six hours of graduate credit in social studies or economics.

The course may be used for certificate renewal and credit toward a master's degree in social studies, according to Neil V. Arneson, assistant professor of social studies, who is co-directing the seminar with Nicholas Kontos, associate professor of economics at Marshall.

Field trips, lectures, panel discussions and demonstrations will be utilized during the seminar, along with presentations by representatives from business, industry, labor, government and education.

Teaching materials and methods also will be discussed and participants will be given the opportunity to develop instructional materials for classroom use.

The seminar is listed in the MU Summer Course Schedule under Social Studies 591-592. Students in the College of Education should register for Social Studies 591-592. Students in the College of Business should register under Economics 651, sections 301-302.

Registration will be limited to 25 persons. The first 15 registrants will be eligible for tuition reductions of \$100.

To obtain further details contact Neil V. Arneson, Marshall University Department of Social Studies, 696-6610.

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For more information call Dr. Robert Belshe, 526-0557

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- The Huntington Veterans Administration Medical Center, which is affiliated with the Marshall University School of Medicine, has announced that the school is receiving a \$1.4 million National Institutes of Health contract to test vaccines that may one day offer protection from the deadly disease AIDS.

Marshall is one of only six centers the NIH has approved to begin testing AIDS vaccines in humans. The other centers are Johns Hopkins University, the University of Maryland, the University of Rochester, Baylor College of Medicine and Vanderbilt University.

"The AIDS problem is a national and international crisis, and we're proud to be among those working toward a solution," said Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke.

Early testing will focus on people who are not in high-risk groups for AIDS, according to Dr. Robert B. Belshe, who will direct the program at Marshall. This makes volunteers from places like Huntington especially important, he added.

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"Huntington is a very typical medium-sized community," he said. "The average person here has not been exposed to AIDS and is not in a high-risk group."

Belshe said researchers hope to find out whether the proposed vaccines will help healthy people develop antibodies to protect them against the disease. If the proposed vaccines show promise, researchers will go on to find out how much vaccine is needed to provide protection.

He said he has talked to several students who have expressed interest in learning more about the vaccine. "For the early studies, we're looking for volunteers who have some knowledge of the way antibodies work," he said.

Belshe cautioned against over-optimism. "Most scientists agree that it will be years before we have a fully approved and tested AIDS vaccine," he said. "Even then, we're talking about something designed to prevent the disease, not something that will cure it. The vaccines we will study are ones that have shown some promise, but we still have a long way to go."

Testing will not begin until the Food and Drug Administration reviews safety data for proposed vaccines and approves them for human testing. This safety data also will be reviewed at the local level, Belshe added. For maximum safety, the proposed vaccines use only parts of the AIDS virus, not the whole virus.

"There is no possibility of getting AIDS from these vaccines," he said.

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In addition, volunteers for the study will be carefully screened to make sure their immune systems function properly and that they have not been exposed to AIDS.

"Because AIDS is so serious, scientists are proceeding with the utmost caution," Belshe said.

The government's testing program is divided into three phases. Marshall will participate in the first two:

* Phase One -- To find out whether proposed vaccines do help people produce antibodies (only people who are not in high-risk groups will be tested during this phase);

* Phase Two -- To find out the proper dosage levels for the vaccines.

The third phase, designed to find out whether the vaccines actually prevent AIDS, will be conducted in major cities with large populations of people in high-risk groups.



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FACT SHEET

AIDS VACCINE CONTRACT TO MARSHALL SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Amount of contract: \$1.4 million over 28 months (starting 6/87)

Awarded by: National Institutes of Health

Principal investigator at Marshall: Dr. Robert B. Belshe

Title: Chief, Immunology Section, Department of Medicine

Other centers testing AIDS vaccines for the NIH:

Johns Hopkins University Baylor College of Medicine, Houston
University of Maryland Vanderbilt University, Nashville
University of Rochester

Purpose: To find out whether proposed AIDS vaccines help healthy people develop protective antibodies against the disease. The goal of this and related studies is to find out whether any proposed vaccines work and, if so, what dose is necessary and how many doses are needed.

Perspective: A fully tested and approved AIDS vaccine is still eight to 20 years away -- perhaps more -- according to U.S. Assistant Secretary for Health Robert E. Windom. Marshall and five other U.S. centers will be doing the first United States testing of potential AIDS vaccines in humans. The early tests will concentrate only on whether the AIDS vaccines lead to AIDS antibodies in the bloodstream. These vaccines will not cure AIDS, and although officials certainly hope they will prevent AIDS, there is of course no guarantee they will. One concern, in fact, is that people who have one of the test vaccines will develop a false sense of security.

Where do the test vaccines come from?

Several vaccine manufacturers have been working on potential AIDS vaccines. Six or seven of these drug companies have done preliminary testing on the vaccines and have asked the Food and Drug Administration for permission to test them in humans.

How soon will tests begin here?

Once the FDA gives that permission, six National Institutes of Health centers (including Marshall) will begin testing some of these vaccines. At the earliest, this would be late this summer; it could be several months later.

What will the vaccine trials measure?

Marshall researchers will take blood tests before and after vaccination to see whether antibodies to the AIDS virus appear in the blood.

How safe are the vaccines?

The risk to persons involved in the study is very, very low. The FDA has rigorous safety standards which each potential vaccine must meet before it can be tested in people.

For safety, all of the vaccines ready to enter testing use only pieces of the AIDS virus (instead of the whole virus) to stimulate protection.

Before any vaccine is tested at Marshall, full information on its safety testing will be reviewed by MU vaccine researchers and Marshall's Institutional Review Board, which is designed specifically to guarantee the rights and safety of people who volunteer for such testing.

People who volunteer for the study will be screened to be absolutely certain that their immune systems are normal and that they are not infected by the AIDS virus.

What vaccines will be tested?

The National Institutes of Health will keep the identifying information about the vaccines confidential. However, the vaccines under development fall into two general types, described below. Because they use only part of the virus, they are called sub-unit vaccines. They are designed to prevent the AIDS virus from infecting cells. Marshall may be asked to test either or both.

* In the first type, a part of a killed AIDS virus is injected to see whether it stimulates antibody production. These vaccines are made with different techniques and different parts of the AIDS virus; the goal is to find which one works best.

* In the live vaccines, a piece of the genetic material from the AIDS virus is inserted into the smallpox vaccine and injected. One hope is that this type of vaccine would generate "cell-mediated immunity," a capability which would allow the body to kill cells which have already been infected.

How will the national trials be set up?

The trials are broken down into three phases; Marshall will participate in only the first two.

* Phase One -- Vaccines will be tested to see if they stimulate production of antibodies. In this stage, only persons who not in high-risk groups will be tested. For each vaccine, 10 volunteers will be tested at each center. Half of the volunteers will receive the test vaccine; half will receive a placebo, or inactive substance. Nationwide, 30 people will receive each vaccine tested. If one or more vaccines stimulate good levels of antibody, they will go on to the next phase.

* Phase Two -- Vaccines will be tested to see what dose should be included in each shot and how many doses should be given. Marshall might get one or two vaccines to test in Phase Two; up to 30 volunteers will be tested for each (although some people may get placebos, most will get vaccine).

* Phase Three -- Vaccines will be tested to see if they actually help prevent AIDS. This testing will not be done at Marshall or other NIH testing centers: it will be done in major cities such as New York where there are large high-risk populations. Hundreds of volunteers will be involved at this stage.



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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Dr. Katherine W. Simpkins, professor emeritus of educational foundations at Marshall University, will lead a group of educators on a European tour to study comparative educational techniques beginning Wednesday, June 17.

The group will spend 22 days touring educational facilities and historical sites in Amsterdam, Denmark, Belgium, Switzerland and West Germany.

"This is an opportunity for American teachers to see how their European counterparts approach education," Dr. Simpkins said. "Sometimes we get better insights into ourselves by observing how others teach."

Participants will earn between three and eight hours of graduate credit, depending on how much work they complete before and after the tour.

"Universities are sponsoring more and more foreign travel and study," said Dr. Simpkins. "Marshall has been sponsoring travel/study groups and courses for the past several years and was one of the early leaders in this important educational component."

Dr. Simpkins, who recently retired after 16 years of service at Marshall, has led five previous educational tours to various countries.

To obtain further details contact Dr. Simpkins at 696-3630.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Citing the Marshall University School of Medicine as a "powerful economic stimulus for West Virginia," MU President Dale F. Nitzschke said today he is making the medical school's further development his "number one priority" for the 1987-88 academic year.

"We're looking at \$51.4 million coming into West Virginia in the immediate future as a result of the Marshall University School of Medicine being here," Nitzschke said, "and that's only the tip of the iceberg.

"As a result of the School of Medicine, the Veterans Administration Medical Center here is on line for a \$47.5 million clinical addition," Nitzschke said. "Plus, School of Medicine researchers are being granted 1.4 million to conduct AIDS vaccine research and Cabell Huntington and St. Mary's hospitals have established a \$2.5 million magnetic resonance imager project in cooperation with our medical school.

"During the 1970s the medical school brought more than \$20 million in construction dollars to the VA Medical Center in Spring Valley, including 11.1 million to improve that facility and \$9.3 million to build the Medical Education Building," Nitzschke said. "Those dollars, and those which will follow, are creating new jobs in West Virginia -- well-paying jobs that could not be here otherwise," Nitzschke added.

"Next January, the Marshall University School of Medicine will mark its 10th anniversary," Nitzschke said. "This is a good time for us to take a look at what we've accomplished in 10 years -- and to look ahead to our potential for even greater accomplishment during the next 10 years.

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possibilities are tremendously exciting and I plan to devote a great deal of my time during the next year to having a significant impact on the school's future development."

Nitzschke said the week of July 6 he will begin meeting with individuals and small groups of medical school faculty members and administrators. "I want to meet with every member of the faculty and administrative staff during the next few weeks to hear their ideas and determine their needs and aspirations," he said.

"We want to put it all in focus, arrive at a plan for further development and determine the directions we will take not only during the next year, but the next 10 years," Nitzschke said.

He said he's also considering establishment of a community advisory board to work with School of Medicine personnel, particularly in regard to the school's service to the people of the region and its impact on the economy.

"The School of Medicine already is bringing a tremendous amount of dollars into West Virginia and it has a monumental potential to play an even greater role in the state's economic development," Nitzschke said. "We're going to make every possible effort to see that it happens."

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Dr. Ralph W. Taylor, professor of biological sciences at Marshall University, has been selected as director of the University's SCORES program for 1987-88, according to MU Vice President Academic Affairs Carol A. Smith.

SCORES (Search Committee on Recruiting Excellent Students) was initiated on the Marshall campus in 1977, primarily as an organization to make contacts with outstanding students.

In 1979, as interest in SCORES and its departmental workshops increased, a committee sponsored the first SCORES Academic Festival. Approximately 100 students from 26 area high schools attended the first festival.

Since then the Academic Festival has grown into a major event, attracting more than 4,000 students from 85 high schools in Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia.

The purpose of the festival is to cultivate relationships with high schools in the region and generate public awareness of academic achievement occurring in various communities surrounding Marshall University.

The SCORES director coordinates all activities necessary to successfully complete the Academic Festival, develops SCORES policy in conjunction with the SCORES Steering Committee, manages the SCORES budget, arranges for prizes for WOWK-TV's "High-Q" academic competition program, and directs various other SCORES activities.

A member of the Marshall faculty for 15 years, Taylor received his bachelor's degree from Murray State University and his master's and doctorate from the University of Louisville.

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Prior to accepting a position at Marshall in 1972, Taylor taught the Jefferson County (Ky.) Public Schools, and taught at Spalding College and Jefferson Community College in Louisville, Ky.

A native of Whitesburg, Ky., Taylor has authored numerous articles in scientific journals and has been a member of the American Malacological Union, and the West Virginia, Kentucky and Indiana academies of science.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- The Marshall University School of Medicine will have a reception July 2 for Timothy B. Williams, new director of the Huntington Veterans Administration Medical Center.

The reception, set for 3:30 p.m. in the Alumni Lounge of Marshall's Memorial Student Center, is open to both the university community and the public.

Williams comes to Huntington from the Portland, Ore., VA, where he was associate director. He succeeds Lansing Hills, who retired in December.



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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- Huntington physician Jose Ricard has been appointed medical director of the sports medicine program of Marshall University's Athletic Department, President Dale F. Nitzschke has announced.

Ricard has been Marshall's team physician and a volunteer faculty member of the School of Medicine since 1982. In the new, part-time position, he will help coordinate the Athletic Department's sports medicine efforts with those of the School of Medicine and the Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation.

"Dr. Ricard's expertise has been invaluable to Marshall, and we're delighted to have him expand his role," said Dan Martin, head athletic trainer at Marshall. "As much as our program is growing, we certainly need him to help us tie together all our sports medicine efforts, not only within the university but also with private orthopedists and other physicians in the community."

Ricard, a former team physician for the Cuban Olympic team, has practiced in Huntington since the 1960s. He is active in several professional organizations and is a member of Marshall University's John Marshall Society and Big Green Club.



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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--A seminar for public and private school teachers titled "The Classical Greek World" will be held on the Marshall University campus July 27 through Aug. 7.

The program will provide teachers a background of current information on the ancient Greeks and new methods of teaching Greek culture and literature, according to Dr. Charles O. Lloyd, chairman of the Department of Classical Studies at Marshall and director of the seminar.

A group of selected scholars in the field will lead workshops in oral poetry and oral culture, new literary techniques for the study of epic and tragedy, Greek historiography, ancient Greek writers, mythology, Platonic philosophy, classical Greek sculpture and archaeology, ancient Greek values, the polis, and pedagogical approaches and materials.

Sponsored by the West Virginia Foundation for the Humanities, the 10-day workshop was designed for teachers in public and private schools throughout West Virginia, with a preference given to teachers of grades seven through 12.

To obtain further details contact Dr. Charles O. Lloyd, Marshall University Department of Classical Studies, 696-3166.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--The Community College and College of Education at Marshall University will sponsor the second annual Academic/Athletic Summer Enrichment Program for elementary, junior high and senior high school students during July and August.

The purpose of the program is to provide area students with the opportunity to improve both academic and athletic skills in a relaxed and informal atmosphere, according to Robert L. Lawson, director of continuing education for MU's Community College.

"We think this is a unique program that will provide the participants the opportunity to develop both academic and athletic skills in an enjoyable setting," said Lawson. "Last year's program was very successful, but was limited to junior and senior high school students. This year we decided to open it up for younger students and offer them different courses that could be of value to them in their future school work."

Instruction will be provided in reading and creative math for students in grades four, five and six, and classes in computer assisted design and study skills will be offered for students in grades seven through 12.

Marshall's Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation will provide instruction in tennis for each age group.

Students in grades four, five and six will meet July 27-31. Courses will be held Aug. 3-7 for students in grades seven, eight and nine, and courses for students in grades 10, 11 and 12 will be held Aug. 10-14.

Classes will be limited to 25 participants. To obtain further details contact Robert L. Lawson, Marshall University Community College, 696-3646.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- Marshall University will receive \$160,000 over a four-year period from The C.E. Schell Foundation for Education to provide "moral obligation" student loans, according to Dr. Keith L. Scott, Marshall vice president for institutional advancement.

The university recently received its first \$40,000 installment from the foundation.

"Students obtaining the loans for educational assistance will not have to pay interest on the funds or provide security," Scott said. "They are, however, under a moral obligation to repay the loans so future students will have the same opportunities. After the original four years, our continued participation in the program will be based on the success we have in getting these loans repaid," Scott concluded.

Marshall is the first West Virginia school to be funded by The Schell Foundation, according to Peter M. Klosterman, trust officer with The Fifth Third Bank of Cincinnati, trustee for the foundation.

A bank vice president whose son attended Marshall recommended that Marshall be included in the program, Klosterman said. The foundation has aided 21 schools in the past and currently is funding programs at 10 colleges and universities.

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Schell Foundation

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The foundation was established through the will of Cincinnati attorney Charles Edson Schell. Under the terms of the will, a school "shall select young men and women of its student body between the ages of 15 and 25...who are citizens of Ohio, Kentucky, West Virginia or adjoining states and who appear to be honest, upright, intelligent, and practical."

Recipients must be "of unmistakable loyalty to our country and its institutions, including the Army, Navy and Air Force" and "must be citizens of, and born in, the United States, of respectable parents of moderate means who are likewise citizens and born in the United States."

Klosterman said repayment of the loans is due and payable at the earliest date that repayment would not create undue hardship upon the recipient. Except in unusual circumstances, repayment of the total amount of the loan should be completed within 10 years.

A native of Indiana, Schell spent his early years in Burlington, Mineral County, W.Va. When he was 14, the family moved to Lebanon, Ohio. He studied law in Cincinnati and practiced law there until retiring in 1922. He established the trust in 1932 and died on July 22, 1938, at age 74. In addition to his law practice, Schell had interests in a number of Cincinnati-area businesses.



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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Elderhostel, a nationally known program that offers diverse educational and recreational opportunities for adults 60 years of age and older, will be held in two sessions at Marshall University this year, the week of July 12-18 and the week of July 19-25.

This will be the first time the university has offered two sessions, according to Robert L. Lawson, director of continuing education for Marshall's Community College, who said two sessions will be necessary due to increasing enrollment and interest in the university's Elderhostel program.

"Approximately 20 persons are already registered for the first week and 30 for the second session, with participants coming from Florida, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Georgia, Ohio, Michigan, New York, Utah and West Virginia," said Lawson.

Courses during the first session will include "The Big Band Era," "Caring for Your Plants," and "Appalachian Culture and Dialect." Participants during the first week also will take a trip to Camden Park, tour a glass factory and take part in the activities planned for the Tri-State Regatta.

During the second session, courses will include "History of the Ohio River Valley," "The Fantasy World of Greek Mythology," and "Ballroom Dancing." Participants in the second session also will attend a social hour at the home of MU President Dale F. Nitzschke, tour Huntington Galleries and attend a presentation by the Marshall University Theatre.

Area residents may take the courses and participate in the activities by commuting for a fee of \$65, which includes lunches. The cost for those staying on campus will be \$215, which includes all meals.

To obtain further details contact Robert L. Lawson at Marshall University's Community College, 696-3646.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Applications for a limited number of graduate student tuition waivers for Marshall University's fall term will be accepted through Monday, Aug. 3, according to Dr. Leonard J. Deutsch, acting dean of the Marshall University Graduate School.

In line with the West Virginia Board of Regents Policy Bulletin 49, priority will be given to faculty and staff of the state's colleges and universities and to West Virginia residents, Deutsch said. A small number of waivers will be awarded to nonresident students.

Academic merit will be the major consideration in awarding the waivers which cover tuition, registration and Higher Education and Faculty Improvement fees. Student Activity fees must be paid by the recipient.

Deutsch said if students are interested in being considered for a BOR tuition waiver based on financial need criteria they should contact Ed Miller, student financial aid director at Marshall. He noted that financial need does not automatically guarantee tuition waivers.

Students who held waivers previously must reapply for the fall term to be considered.

Professional tuition waiver forms for the School of Medicine may be obtained from the dean's office in the School of Medicine at the Robert W. Donnan Medical Education Building at the Veterans Administration Center. They should be returned to the same office by Aug. 3 for processing.

To obtain further details about graduate student tuition waivers contact the Marshall University Graduate School, 696-6606.

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