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"In addition to these seminars, the institute also provides business consultations, training programs, business packaging and pre-venture counseling," Kyle said. "Representatives from businesses and corporations of all sizes are welcome to attend."

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"Business on the Internet" seminar offered Oct. 18

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--"Business on the Internet" is the subject of an upcoming seminar sponsored by the Marshall University Institute for Business Development, according to Dr. Larry Kyle, director of business development at MU.

It will be held Saturday, Oct. 18 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the MU campus in Gullickson Hall, room 206.

"The seminar is designed to give a basic understanding of the Internet and its services, including e-mail, file transfer, news, telnet and data retrieval," Kyle said.

Dr. Randy Jones, associate professor in Marshall's Community and Technical College, will be the featured speaker.

"Representatives from businesses and corporations of all sizes are welcome to attend," Kyle said.

Cost of the seminar is \$99 per person and includes lunch. Registration is limited to 18 people and those interested must RSVP prepaid registration one week prior to the seminar.

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<u>MU journalism student wins national</u> <u>Mark of Excellence award</u>

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Pete Collman, a recent graduate of Marshall University's W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications, won the 1996 national Mark of Excellence Award for student radio in-depth reporting given by the Society of Professional Journalists Sept. 25, 1997.

Collman's program, "To Dance in the Circle: The Rediscovery of the West Virginia Native American," was considered a "showcase of journalistic enterprise" by Tom Borgerding, a judge in the SPJ competition.

"It is a treat for the ears as it weaves history with politics and the search for personal identity," Borgerding said. "To Dance in the Circle should be added to audio library collections throughout West Virginia."

Written and produced by Collman, a native of Washington, D.C., "To Dance in the Circle" aired July 15, 1996 on WMUL-FM, Marshall's campus radio station.

"I am really proud of Pete and the accomplishments he was able to make at Marshall, especially winning this award," said Dr. Chuck Bailey, faculty manager of WMUL and assistant journalism professor. "This is -MORE-

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also a great achievement for the entire station, as it is our third national SPJ award."

In order to reach the national competition, Collman had to survive regional judging, with the top three entries in each region earning honors and the first-place winner of each region moving on to national competition.

The Society of Professional Journalists, a not-for-profit organization with more than 13,500 members, is the nation's largest and most broadbased journalism organization. This annual competition had more than 1,000 entries in 28 categories of print and broadcast media.

For more information about WMUL or this award, contact Dr. Chuck Bailey, 696-2294.

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Marshall authors collaborate on pluralism book

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- Greenwood Press has published a new book, "Strategies for Promoting Pluralism in Education and the Workplace," edited by Dr. Lynne Welch, Dr. Betty Cleckley and Marilyn McClure of Marshall University.

The book features 14 chapters by MU faculty members and seven by other authors with national reputations. It has its roots in Marshall's first multicultural conference, held in 1994.

"Our intent was to share some of the innovative strategies to help people with diversity in their organizations, whether educational or business," Dr. Welch said. "Very little has been published on strategies for diversity, particularly for higher education. This book reflects the best of the conference as well as other local and national expertise."

Chapters by Marshall authors include:

"Multiculturalism: A Matter of Essentiality" by Betty Jane Cleckley,

 "A Deconstructionist Approach to Multicultural Education" by Susan Marnell Weaver,

 "Intercultural Communication Competence: A Strategy for a Multicultural Campus" by Bertram W. Gross,

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One University's Attempts to Promote Pluralism (1965-1995)" by Mary McDonough, Edwina Pendarvis and Aimee Howley,

"Cultivating Multiculturalism in the Faculty: A Minority Fellowship
Program" by Karen P. Baker and Ronald B. Childress,

"What's Love Got to Do With It: Strategies for Teaching in Multilingual and Multicultural Classrooms" by Dolores Johnson,

Study Abroad in Higher Education Today" by Clair Matz,

"Promoting Pluralism Through Service Learning" by Lynne Brodie Welch,

"Multiculturalism, and Journalism and Mass Communication: Sensitizing

Future Communicators" by Rebecca J. Johnson,

"Transforming Nursing for Culturally Sensitive Care" by Judith P. Sortet,

- "Rural Appalachian Culture: Nursing Student Perceptions" by Jane C. Fotos,
- Cultural Commitment and Attitudes of African-Americans Toward Seeking

Counseling Services" by Jessamine M. Montero and Elaine Baker,

Community, Culture, and Reckless Lives in West Virginia: Why

Multiculturalism is Beside the Point" by Robert Bickel, and

"Evaluating Social Programs for Third World Countries: A Multidimensional Development Evaluation Model" by Girmay Berhie.

Other contributors are Roberto A. Duncan, R. Roosevelt Thomas Jr., Greer Dawson Wilson, Paul Herron, Maccamas M. Ikpah, Elizabeth Burns and Maria E. Carrington.



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Arts and crafts seminar offered Oct. 16

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--An upcoming free seminar at Marshall University is designed to help area crafters develop an arts and craftsproduct line, according to David Blackburn, project coordinator in the Institute for Regional Development at MU.

Sponsored by Marshall's Small Business Development Center, the seminar will be held Thursday. Oct. 16 from 6 - 8 p.m. in the large conference room of the MU Office of Research and Economic Development, 1050 Fourth Ave.

"The seminar will look at product development, quality control and how to market crafts," Blackburn said. "Participants are also invited to bring samples of their work with them."

Rebecca Stelling, manager of creative services at the W.Va. Parkway Authority and Tamarack, will be the featured speaker.

In addition to sponsoring business seminars, the MU Small Business Development Center also provides business consultations, pre-venture counseling, loan packaging, business packaging and training programs.

For more information or to register for the free seminar, contact David Blackburn at 696-6798. or fax 696-6277.



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MU Honors Program sponsors lecture series

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--The first installment of Marshall University's "What's It Like?" lecture series will feature MU professors Monday, Oct. 13 in the Shawkey Room of the Memorial Student Center, according to Dr. Montserrat Miller, assistant professor of history and Drinko Academy Fellow.

"Each year the MU Honors Program and the MU Honors Student Association sponsor this lecture series in which experienced, successful professionals discuss their disciplines with students," Miller said.

The Graduate School will be the topic of the Oct. 13 lecture. Speakers include: Dr. Carl Burrowes, journalism professor and John Deaver Drinko Fellow; Christine R. Henderson, assistant political science professor and Dr. Frank S. Gilliam, associate professor of biological sciences.

"Panelists from various segments of each profession assure students of receiving a well-rounded and informed view." Miller said. "After short formal presentations by speakers, students are invited to ask questions."

The "What's It Like?" lecture series is free and open to the public. Contact Dr. Miller for more information. 696-6405.



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Marshall Foundation marks 50th anniversary

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- The Marshall University Foundation Inc. surpassed the \$50 million mark during its 50th anniversary year, Foundation executive director Sherry H. Asbury reported Oct. 9 during the Foundation's annual member meeting.

Incorporated on Jan. 3, 1947, as a non-profit educational organization, the Foundation reached \$52,367,711 in assets by the end of the 1996-97 fiscal year that ended June 30. The Foundation's endowment has grown to \$25,334,584, Asbury reported.

During the 1996-97 fiscal year, the Foundation received more than \$6.3 million in gifts from all sources.

The breakdown on giving was:

- \$3 million-plus from individuals, including \$679,748 from Foundation members
- nearly \$1.5 million from businesses and industries
- \$961,475 from foundations
- \$724,271 from trusts and estates, and
- \$174,524 from clubs and organizations.

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Of the total 1996-97 donations, \$3,565,419 was earmarked for restricted endowments, including for the new library and information center; \$995,887 for scholarships; \$1,448,083 for other designated colleges and departments, and \$295,782 was unrestricted to use as needed by the university. Another \$12,045 was donated to the Foundation as gifts-in-kind. The overall increase from 1995-96 to 1996-97 was 3.4%.

Asbury reported that the rate of growth in annual gifts has slowed due to the ending of the campaign for library construction funds. However, she reported, when you compare the previous two fiscal years — prior to the Library Campaign — to the past two fiscal years, there were some remarkable increases:

- gifts from alumni rose 94%
- faculty and staff donations increased 90%
- contributions from businesses rose nearly 72% and
- contributions from other foundations grew by 256%.

The overall increase during 1995-97 over the previous two years was 53%.

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Upgraded system joins two Marshall campuses

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Marshall University's two principal campuses--in Huntington and South Charleston--have been linked under a single telephone system, starting this week.

MU President J. Wade Gilley said the \$180,000 project is the initial step in Marshall joining a statewide "asynchronus transfer mode" (ATM) system being developed by Bell Atlantic. While the first phase provides voice transmission between the two campuses, the fully developed system will provide also for integrated data and video transmission.

"The upgrading of three switches in Huntington and one in South Charleston positions Marshall to be on the cutting edge of a telecommunications revolution in West Virginia and, indeed, the nation," Gilley said. "We expect Marshall to be one of the first institutions in the state to take advantage of this advanced technology."

The "T-I" line joining the two campuses as a single system provides 28 voice communication channels, according to Dr. William S. Deel, MU assistant vice president for operations. Once the ATM technology is installed by Bell Atlantic, thousands of communication channels will be available.

Deel said the revolutionary changes in telecommunications have been made possible by actions taken several years ago when Bell Atlantic installed a statewide net of fiber optic cables and Marshall did the same thing on a campuswide basis. Both campuses now are fully "wired" with fiber optic lines.

Linking of the South Charleston and Huntington campuses under a single telecommunications system became necessary last July 1 when the West Virginia Graduate College in South Charleston was merged with Marshall and renamed the Marshall University Graduate College.

Marshall earlier had established T-1 lines between the Huntington campus and sites in Logan and Point Pleasant to provide for delivery of courses in those communities, Deel said.

Once the ATM system installation is completed, fully integrated voice, data and video signals can be transmitted at the speed of light, Gilley noted. "No other university in the nation will have better telecommunications abilities," he added.

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Marshall University and ATM

The Marshall University ATM project goal is to create a cost-effective delivery of distance education and to unify our existing campuses into one network. This project will integrate multimedia technologies with current and emerging communications technologies. The project will also investigate teaching and learning paradigms that will most effectively use this technology.

In essence, the technology allows people in different locations to hold interactive meetings and classes. Participants can see and hear each other in real time via their desktop computers. In addition, documents and objects can be exchanged, the connected computers can share files and applications and each workstation has high-bandwidth Internet connections. The system is highly integrated with Marshall's new John Deaver Drinko Library. Marshall is celebrating 10 years of a full campus fiber backbone. As our multimedia, video, audio, data, online Internet accessible electronic courses and campus locations continue to expand, so must our telecommunications delivery system.

Marshall University's comprehensive campus network has allowed us to focus on extending these capabilities to remote facilities. The WV-ATM network is a high-speed, regional network providing advanced tools and techniques in support of collaborative teaching and research. Marshall University will utilize interactive multimedia applications, Web-based instruction, desktop videoconferencing and remote access to unique resources. Our recently upgraded PBX telephone system--at a total cost of \$184,000 (three switches at MU and one complete system [\$26,000] at MUGC)--will be linked transparently with our South Charleston campus. The high-speed data connections will link multiple locations into a transparent Wide Area Network. Costly duplication of servers, databases and software will be eliminated. The network has very high capacity and can deliver simultaneous transmission of fully interactive voice, data and video services. The bandwidth can be flexibly allocated and reallocated as needed. ATM services have built-in quality of service controls, allowing users to prioritize resources and tailor capacity utilization to match application requirements. Virtually any type of application or communication service can be transported across the network.

Benefits

- Universal access with level prices statewide.
- Capability to support interactive, multimedia applications.
- Range of access options with very high capacity available.
- Capability to support very high performance computing applications with guaranteed quality of service objectives.
- Scales to match increasing demands.
- Advanced digital communications services at reasonable cost.
- Inherent Internet access.
- Founded upon public network services.
- Lever for economic development.
- Promotes competition.



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MU faculty members receive music award

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.-- Three faculty members of the Marshall University Department of Music have been awarded prestigious Meet the Composer Foundation grants for 1998, according to Dr. Elizabeth Smith, associate professor in the department.

The Nevelson Duo had its proposal accepted by the foundation. Formed by violinist Smith along with pianist Dr. Leslie Petteys, the duo's proposal was one of only 21 proposals funded by the foundation from a total of 145 applications nationwide.

"Dr. Petteys and I, as the Nevelson Duo, applied to the Meet the Composer Foundation for a grant to commission Michael Golden to write a work for us," Smith said. "We will take the composition on tour during our joint sabbaticals in the spring of 1998 and then record a CD during the summer."

Petteys is a professor of piano and graduate studies in the MU Department of Music, while Smith is an associate professor of violin, viola and chamber music at MU.

Dr. Michael Golden, an associate professor in the MU music department, will write a jazz-influenced work for piano and violin, which the Nevelson Duo will include in its upcoming CD. Among his other works is *FramesetuDe*, a 1996 composition for guitar that won an international competition sponsored by the Guitar Foundation of America.

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Named for the American artist Louise Nevelson, the Nevelson Duo is committed to performing works by American composers. As recipients of the Meet the Composer Foundation grants, the duo will receive a commissioning fee to perform and record the composition.

"In return for the fee, we agreed to perform the work at least four times by the year 2000, which will not be a problem," Smith said. "We already have at least 15 performances scheduled next spring, with other performance dates pending next fall."

For more information, contact Smith in the Marshall University Department of Music, 696-6609.

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Hatten re-elected MU Foundation president

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- Stephen P. Hatten, an executive with Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co. in Huntington, was re-elected president of The Marshall University Foundation Inc. during its annual meeting on Oct. 9.

Other officers elected to a second one-year term were Ann Logan Speer, first vice president; Vincent G. Manzi, second vice president; Earleen Heiner Agee, secretary, and B.C. McGinnis III, treasurer. Sherry H. Asbury is the Foundation's executive director.

Two Marshall alumni were elected as members to the 48-member Foundation. The new members are Monica Jayne Wilton Hatfield, who earned a B.S. degree from Marshall in 1977 and an M.A. degree in 1983 and who now serves as a middle school math teacher at St. Agnes Elementary/Middle School in Charleston, and J. Churchill Hodges, who earned an A.B. degree from Marshall in 1948 and an M.A. degree in 1953 and who retired after 35 years from the Cabell County Board of Education after serving as a science supervisor, director of purchasing and biology teacher. Their terms expire in the year 2000.

John Jay White, a 1976 Marshall graduate who has served as president of R.H. Adkins & Companies for the past four years, will fill the unexpired term of the late William F. Agee as both a member and director until 1999.

Re-elected for three-year terms as members were James R. Bailes, David Fox Jr., William M. Frazier, John R. Hall, Earl W. Heiner Jr., Ronald L. Hooser, Andrew J. Houvouras Jr., Vincent G. Manzi, Dan R. Moore, Frankie L. Nowlin, Marshall T. Reynolds, Speer, Joseph B. Touma and S. Kenneth Wolfe.

Members renewed as directors were Fox, Heiner, Hooser, Manzi, Reynolds, Speer and Touma.

The Marshall University Foundation Inc. was established in 1947 as a non-profit, educational corporation to solicit, receive and administer private gifts in behalf of Marshall University.

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Mayor Dean, Charlotte Pritt, Chuck Chambers to speak at MU

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Huntington Mayor Jean Dean, former gubernatorial nominee Charlotte Pritt and Federal District Judge Robert C. "Chuck" Chambers will speak Wednesday, Nov. 5 at 3:30 p.m. in the Don Morris Room of Marshall University's Memorial Student Center, according to Dr. Montserrat Miller, assistant professor of history and Drinko Academy Fellow at MU.

The speakers will be at Marshall as part of the "What's It Like?" lecture series, sponsored by the MU Honors Program and the MU Honors Student Association. The Nov. 5 program is the second installment in the four-part series and will cover the topic of "Politics."

"Each year we present this lecture series in which experienced, successful professionals discuss their disciplines with students," Miller said. "Panelists from various segments of each profession assure students of receiving a well-rounded and informed view."

Each speaker will make a short formal presentation, which will be followed by questions from the audience.

The "What's It Like?" lecture series is free and open to the public. Contact Dr. Miller for more information, 696-6405.





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'Serial killers' to be topic of Marshall University lecture

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Criminologist Dr. Jack Levin will give a lecture entitled "Overkill: Serial Murder Exposed" Thursday, Oct. 30 at 8 p.m. in the Don Morris Room of the Marshall University Memorial Student Center, according to Allison Swick of the MU Office of Student Activities.

"In a startling, even shocking presentation, Levin holds a magnifying glass to the minds and motives of such vicious killers as Jeffrey Dahmer, Ted Bundy and John Wayne Gacy," Swick said.

Co-author of two books on serial murder, Levin will discuss his new book <u>Overkill, Mass Murder and Serial Killing Exposed</u>. It is the sequel to <u>Mass</u> <u>Murder: America's Growing Menace</u>, which according to Swick was "the pioneering book profiling the serial killer.

"With amazing insight and sparing no detail, his presentation relies on first-hand experience with serial killers, their families and their surviving victims," Swick said. "Dr. Levin has also worked as a consultant in serial murder investigations and trials."

Levin has appeared as a guest on such television shows as "Oprah," "Donahue," "Geraldo," "Joan Rivers" and "Larry King Live." He has also been interviewed on "Today," "Good Morning America," "20/20," and "48 Hours."

Sponsored by the MU Student Activities Programming Board, the lecture is free and open to the public. Contact Swick for more information, 696-2283.



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Marshall University Homecoming is Nov. 7-8

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- Marshall University alumni and friends will celebrate the university's first Homecoming as an NCAA Division I-A football team on Nov. 7-8.

Linda S. Holmes, Marshall director of alumni affairs, said the theme for this year is *The MAC is Back*, in honor of Marshall's return to the Mid-American Conference.

Alumni Association-sponsored events begin at 6 a.m. Friday, Nov. 7, with a complimentary breakfast in the Erickson Alumni Center, 1731 5th Ave., featuring a live remote broadcast by Rhino & T on The DAWG (WDGG 93.7 FM). The breakfast and the broadcast continue until 10 a.m.

From 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, the celebration moves to Coyotes Wild DAWG Saloon, 809 Third Ave., for a Happy Hour pasta buffet. Four Seasons will cater the event. The cost is \$5 per person, including two beverages. The ticket also will provide admission to the party at the saloon after Saturday's Homecoming game.

"An Evening With Friends" reception will begin at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the Big Green Room of Marshall University Stadium and will conclude at 10:30 p.m. The reception is \$5 per person for hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar.

On Saturday, Nov. 8, a walking tour of campus departs from the Erickson Alumni Center at 10:30 a.m.

The traditional Lunch-Under-the-Tent will be held from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Saturday in a heated tent at Tent City inside the Lefty Rollins Track. Chili, hoagies, cookies and two legal beverages are the fare for the lunch at a price of \$6 per person. Additional beverage tickets are \$1 each. The DAWG will provide music.

Homecoming 2-2-2

Kickoff for Marshall's first Mid-American Conference Homecoming game since 1968 is 3:30 p.m. Saturday in Marshall University Stadium. The Herd's opponent is the Bowling Green (Ohio) State University Falcons who have won 10 league titles since joining the MAC in 1952, the second-highest among all league members.

Game tickets are available through the Marshall Athletic Department ticket office by calling (304) 696-HERD or 1-800-THE-HERD.

The post-game party will be held at Coyotes Wild Dawg Saloon. Cost is \$3 per person or is free by showing tickets from the Friday evening Happy Hour at the saloon.

More information is available by calling the Office of Alumni Affairs, 1-800-MUALUMX or (304) 696-2523.

A number of Marshall constituencies have planned events during Homecoming weekend. (Note: All phone numbers listed are within the 304 area code.)

Alumni Band

Longtime MU band director Richard Lemke will be the guest conductor when the Alumni Band performs at the Homecoming game on Nov. 8. All former band musicians and members of the auxiliary units are invited to participate. For more information, call Lemke at 696-2482.

Alumni run

The Division of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, MU Alumni Association and the Huntington Track Club are teaming up for the second annual "Wild Dawg Alumni Run," a 5K road race. The race will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 8.

Early registration is \$10; the fee on race day is \$15. A Friday night Packet-Pickup Party, post-race awards and a tailgate party are included in the race fee.

For more information and entry form, call Sharon Stanton at 696-2943.

Homecoming 3-3-3

College of Science

The College of Science is holding its third annual Homecoming brunch from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 8. The brunch will be held on the second floor (west end) of the Science Building.

An academic program featuring College of Science faculty describing teaching and research initiatives being undertaken in biotechnology at Marshall will be held from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Participants are asked to RSVP by fax: 696-6672 or by phone: 696-2372.

Family and Consumer Science

The Department of Family and Consumer Science has scheduled a meeting and brunch for alumni and friends from 10 a.m. until noon Saturday, Nov. 8, in Corbly Hall Room 270. For more information, call Doris Wellman at 696-2386.

Hall of Fame

The Athletic Department's annual Hall of Fame Banquet will begin at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7, in the W. Don Morris Room, Memorial Student Center. The price is \$17.50 per person. Call Jim Woodrum at 696-4372 for additional information and to make reservations.

H.E.L.P.

The H.E.L.P. (Higher Education for Learning Problems) program will have an open house at Myers Hall, 520 18th St., from 3 to 6 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 7 and a tailgate party in the parking lot of Myers Hall beginning at 11 a.m. prior to the Homecoming game against. All former students, parents and friends of H.E.L.P. are invited.

Call 696-6256 for more information.

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Homecoming concert

A Homecoming concert featuring .38 Special is set for Wednesday, Nov. 5, at The Coyotes Wild Dawg Saloon, 809 Third Ave. Doors open at 7 p.m. and the concert will begin at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$12 in advance, or \$15 at the door. For more information, call the Marshall Office of Alumni Affairs, 1-800-MUALUMX or 696-2523.

MU Theatre

During Nov. 5-8, "Keely & Du," a play by Jane Martin, will be presented in the Francis-Booth Experimental Theatre of The Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center. All performances begin at 8 p.m.

The play is described as a serious drama with adult language and situations.

Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$6 for seniors 65 years of age or older. For tickets and additional information, call the Box Office, 696-2787. Its hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and every evening prior to the performance.

River Cities Club

The River Cities Club is sponsoring a scholarship fundraising event after the Homecoming game at Bachelor's Bait, 200 22nd St. Cost is \$5 per person. Windjammer will perform.

ROTC

All alumni of "The Thundering Herd Battalion" are invited to participate in an ROTC reunion during Homecoming. A tent with refreshments and displays will be set up on the track field.

Homecoming 5-5-5

Sigma Phi Epsilon

Alumni brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity's West Virginia Gamma chapter will gather at Huntington's Radisson Hotel on Nov. 7-9 to celebrate the chapter's 50th anniversary.

For a complete schedule of events and more information, call Ken Gainer at 736-3375, John Kinzer at 526-3629 or Bo Bobersky at 522-9422.

Sigma Sigma Sigma

The sisters of the Psi Chapter of Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority are hosting an open house for the sorority's initiate and alumnae members immediately following the Homecoming game. All Sigma sisters and their guests are invited to attend.

Additional information is available by calling Elizabeth E. Hanrahan at 696-5455.

Women's basketball

The Women's Basketball team will conduct its annual Dribble-a-Thon beginning at the Erickson Alumni Center at noon Friday, Nov. 7, and continuing until 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8. Additional information is available by calling the Women's Basketball office, 696-5445.

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MU Symphony Orchestra to perform Nov. 4

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.-- The Marshall University Symphony Orchestra will present its first concert of the 1997-98 season Tuesday, Nov. 4 at 8 p.m. in Marshall's Smith Recital Hall, according to Paul Balshaw, distinguished professor in the MU Department of Music.

Under the direction of Balshaw, the concert will include "The Tragic Overture" by Johannes Brahms, "Three Entre Acts" from Franz Schubert's "Rosamunde," "Three Nocturnes for Orchestra" by Claude Debussy and "Concerto Grosso Opus 6 #1" by Archangelo Corelli.

The women of the Marshall University Chorus, under the direction of Fern Medley-Forsythe, will join the orchestra during the performance of "Three Nocturnes for Orchestra."

Sixty musicians from the university and regional communities make up the Marshall University Symphony Orchestra. Its members include college and public high school students, faculty, amateur and professional musicians from Huntington and surrounding areas.

The concert is free and open to the public. Doors to Smith Recital Hall, located at the corner of Third Ave. and Hal Greer Boulevard, will open at 7:30 p.m. Contact Balshaw for more information, 696-2399.



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MU Artists Series hosts Russian ballet Nov. 11

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--"The Stars of the Kirov Ballet" will perform Nov. 11 at 8 p.m. in the Keith–Albee Theatre as part of the Marshall University Artists Series, according to Angela Grant, marketing director for the series.

Direct from St. Petersburg, Russia, this is the latest incarnation of a ballet troupe that has existed for 250 years. Rather than dancing one full-length ballet, the stars have chosen to highlight some of the most popular ballets in the world including "Butterfly," "Swan Lake" and "Giselle."

"Some of the world's greatest dancers star in the ballet," Grant said. "These performers, as well as the rest of the troupe, have made dancing their life's work. This undeniable passion is evident every time they step onto the stage."

Continuing the Russian tradition, "The Stars of the Kirov Ballet" perform choreography by Petipa, Fokine, Gorsky, Ivanon and Lavrovsky.

"The stars create a fast-paced, varied program complete with athletic leaps, turns and breathtaking moments of pure beauty," Grant said. "This will be an intimate performance which intermingles dance and music to appeal to audience members of all ages."

Tickets for the ballet go on sale Tuesday, Oct. 28. They may be purchased through the MU Artists Series for \$28 and \$30. Contact Angela Grant for more information, 696-6656.

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John Marshall biographer to speak Oct. 29 and 30

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Marshall University will launch "The Year of the Book" Oct. 29 and 30 with appearances by John Marshall biographer Jean Edward Smith in Charleston and Huntington.

Dr. Smith will address about 200 invited guests at a dinner at the Charleston Marriott the evening of Wednesday, Oct. 29, beginning with a reception at 6 o'clock.

Governor Cecil H. Underwood and five prominent Charlestonians will be recognized at the Charleston event when Marshall President J. Wade Gilley presents them the John Marshall Medal for Civic Responsibility. Recipients, in addition to the governor, are Angus E. Peyton, Clara C. Thomas, Elizabeth Chilton, Herbert E. Jones Jr. and Lewis N. McManus.

Thursday, Oct. 30, Smith will be the featured speaker at an 11 a.m. lecture in the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center on the Marshall campus, followed by a reception. It will be open to the public.

Smith's book, John Marshall -- Definer of a Nation, was published in 1996 by Henry Holt and Co., Inc.

Smith is a professor of political science at the University of Toronto, where he has taught since 1965. He is the author of eight other books including *Lucius D. Clay: An American Life* and *George Bush's War.* He also edited *The Papers of General Lucius D. Clay: Germany, 1945-1949.* When not lecturing or writing, he raises Charolais cattle in Chickasaw County, Mississippi.

"The Year of the Book" celebrates literature and writing as Marshall anticipates the opening of its technologically advanced John Deaver Drinko Library in the fall of 1998. A series of events will center on distinguished authors who will present readings and discussions on Marshall's campus and in the community. Future lecturers include Francis Fukuyama, a widely respected futurist and author of *Trust*, and Bobbie Ann Mason, a writer noted for her short stories and novels, one of which was the basis for the 1989 motion picture, *In Country*.

The six individuals to be honored Oct. 29 will bring to 14 the number of recipients of the John Marshall Medal for Civic Responsibility. The others are Sen. Robert C. Byrd, John D. Drinko, James H. Harless, James F. and Joan C. Edwards, John R. and Donna Hall and Robert "Chuck" Chambers. The medal, considered Marshall University's highest award, is presented to "those individuals who exemplify John Marshall's--and America's--best traits of individual achievement and civic responsibility." All recipients are associated with the university in one way or another, Gilley said.

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MU Percussion Ensemble sponsors annual concert Nov. 6

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.-- Brazilian percussionist and composer Ney Rosauro will be the featured artist in the Marshall University Percussion Ensemble's annual fall concert Thursday, Nov. 6 at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall on the MU campus, according to Ben F. Miller, professor in the Department of Music.

During the concert Dr. Rosauro will conduct and perform some of his own compositions with the MU ensemble. He will be marimba soloist on his "Concerto for Marimba and Percussion Ensemble," play a variety of Brazilian instruments on his "Samba," conduct the ensemble in a performance of his "Two Brazilian Steel Dances" and perform his solo composition "Variaceos Sobre Um Tema Do Rio Grande."

The concert is part of Rosauro's three-day residency at MU, where he will conduct free public lectures and provide instruction to music students.

He will present a free clinic and demonstration of Brazilian percussion instruments Wednesday, Nov. 5 from 3:30 to 5:30 in Smith Recital Hall.

"This session is open to anyone interested in learning about the unique sounds of Brazilian percussion instruments," Miller said.

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"In addition to working with percussion students, Dr. Rosauro will lecture music appreciation classes and work with music composition students," he said.

Partial funding for Dr. Rosauro's residency is provided by a grant from the MU Department of Multicultural Affairs and International Programs and the MU student chapter of the Percussive Arts Society.

Smith Recital Hall is located in Marshall's Smith Music Hall, Third Ave. and Hal Greer Blvd. Contact Ben Miller in the MU Department of Music for more information, 696-2377.

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McClennen named Marshall University Employee of the Month

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Molly McClennen of Milton, residence halls supervisor in the Department of Residence Services, has been selected Marshall University Employee of the Month for October, according to Bill Burdette, chairman of the selection committee.

She was nominated for the award by Winston Baker, director of the Department of Residence Services, and William S. Deel, assistant vice president of operations.

"Molly is an outstanding employee of the department and Marshall University," Baker said. "She is an excellent supervisor and has gained the respect and admiration of her staff."

McClennen has been at Marshall for three years. During that time she has improved staff productivity by initiating a new residence hall staff training program.

"The result has been a very smooth residence hall move-in day," Baker said. "Students are Molly's first priority and she continuously works hard to provide the students with a positive experience in the residence halls."

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Deel said McClennen is "a powerhouse in organizing and completing her work. She is an excellent employee and has a lot of respect for Marshall University."

McClennen will receive a plaque and \$100 for being named Employee of the Month and will be eligible for the Employee of the Year Award.

Marshall University President J. Wade Gilley and his wife, Nanna, provided funds through a grant to establish the Employee of the Month and Employee of the Year program.

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MU begins SCORES registration by honoring faculty

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Marshall University's Search Committee on Recognizing Excellent Students (SCORES) will sponsor a Recognition Brunch for longtime MU supporters Thursday, Nov. 6 from 10 a.m. to noon in the Big Green Room at the MU Football Stadium, according to Sherry Brooks, SCORES coordinator.

"The brunch will honor Marshall faculty and staff members who work with the SCORES program," Brooks said. "We will also recognize those volunteers who have helped make the program's 20 year existence possible."

Five honorees will receive special recognition for their service to MU: Martha Woodward, executive director of the Center for Academic Excellence; Dewey Sanderson, professor in the Department of Geology; Nancy K. Stump, professor in the Department of Modern Languages; Rebecca Johnson, associate professor in the W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications, and Susan Ross Sullivan, assistant professor in the Department of Communication Disorders.

Brooks said these faculty members will have trophies named in their honor presented at the 20th annual SCORES Academic Festival to be held March 6-7, 1998.

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In addition to recognizing MU faculty, the brunch will also signal the start of high school registration for the 20th annual SCORES Academic Festival to be held March 6-7, 1998.

"Targeting the New Millennium" is the theme for the upcoming festival, which attracts approximately 4,000 outstanding high school students from the Tri-State area. "It is vital that students are prepared for the next millennium," Brooks said.

"In this celebration of the 20th anniversary of the festival, we would like to show our appreciation to the high school principals, counselors and teachers from throughout the area who participate," she said. "We are offering young people a chance to experience the world of academic excellence as it steadily advances into the future."

For more information about the brunch or registration for the festival, contact the SCORES office, 696-6752 or 1-800-63-SCORE.



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MU hosts Tri-State Organizing Conference Nov. 6-7

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Lectures on individuals' rights will highlight the Tri-State Organizing Conference Nov. 6-7 at Marshall University, according to Jody Gottlieb, chair of the Department of Social Work at MU. The following is a list of scheduled events:

Thursday, Nov. 6

Dr. John Hennen, assistant professor in the Department of History at Morehead State University, will present the conference's opening lecture, "A Tribute to an Organizing Genius," Thursday, Nov. 6 at 6:30 p.m. in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse.

Friday, Nov. 7

All events will take place in Marshall University's Memorial Student Center.

8 a.m. – "Women in Perspective" will be the focus of a women's breakfast in the Shawkey Dining Room. Joan Hariston, director of New Employment for Women in Logan, W.Va, will be the featured speaker.

10 a.m. – A morning workshop on children's rights, entitled "The Destruction and Exploitation of America's Children" will be held in room 2E11.

A workshop entitled "The Elderly in the Societies of the World" will be held in room 2E10. It will include a panel discussion among international students and professionals.

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"Worker's Rights" will be the subject of a panel discussion in room 2E12 and will include representatives from Marshall and the AFL-CIO.

The first of two workshops on economic rights, entitled "Economics 101", will be conducted in room 2E13.

The first of two sessions on athletes' rights, entitled "Brains + Skill = The Total Athlete," will be held in room 2W37.

11:30 a.m. – Jim Bowen, president of the West Virginia AFL-CIO, will speak at a luncheon in the Shawkey Dining Room.

1 p.m. – The second of two workshops on economic rights, entitled "The Impacts of Welfare Reform on Workers' Wages," will be held in room 2E13.

The second of two sessions on athletes' rights, entitled "Brains + Skill = The Total Athlete," will be held in room 2W37.

An afternoon civil rights workshop entitled "Victims Relief Through Administratively Clarifying Civil Law" will be held in room 2E12.

"Making Our Way in Today's Society," a lecture about women's rights, will be held in room 2E10.

Students' rights will be the topic of "Making a Difference," a lecture in room 2E11.

3 p.m. – The conference will hold its closing plenary at 3 p.m. in the Shawkey Dining Room. Featured speaker will be Ron Daniels, executive director of the Center for Constitutional Rights, who will present a lecture entitled "People Power and Police Power: What does it mean to you?"

For more information about the conference, its workshops or lectures, contact the Marshall University Department of Social Work, 696-2790.



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MU schedules Homecoming Week events Nov. 4-8

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.-- Highlights of Marshall University's Homecoming Week Nov. 4-8 include a "Murder Mystery Cruise," a virtual reality machine and the annual homecoming parade, according to Donnalee Cockrille, dean of the MU Department of Student Affairs.

Cockrille said the Office of Student Activities and Organizations will sponsor numerous events throughout the celebration. The following are a list of activities scheduled for Homecoming Week:

Tuesday, Nov. 4 – A Student Talent Showcase will begin at 8 p.m. in the Don Morris Room of the Memorial Student Center. Admission is free and no auditions will be held, but contestants must register by noon Monday, Nov. 3. A cash prize of \$250 will be given to the first-place winner.

Wednesday, Nov. 5 – The 1997 Homecoming Court will be announced, with a reception and live music following the appointment.

The Black Comedy Tour, co-sponsored by the SAPB and the Center for African-American Studies, will perform at 8 p.m. in Marco's in the Memorial Student Center. Tickets are free for students and \$13 for the public. They can be purchased in the Student Activities Office, room 2W38 of the Student Center.

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"The Transender," a virtual reality machine, will also be available for students to ride on the Memorial Student Center plaza from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 6 – A Twister tournament will be held at noon in Buskirk field, in which teams of ten students will compete for a \$100 first-place prize.

Friday, Nov. 7 – The "Murder Mystery Cruise" will set sail from Harris Riverfront Park at 8 p.m. Presented by the cast of "Murder on Cue," students will help stalk a "cold-blooded killer" on board this evening cruise.

Only 100 tickets are available for the cruise, with participants being chosen from a drawing of students registered for a ticket.

A sign-up table for the talent show, the Twister tournament and the "Murder Mystery Cruise" will be available from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center through Nov. 5.

Saturday, Nov. 8 – The annual Homecoming Parade will begin at 1 p.m. from the Smith Hall parking lot, with prizes given to the best student organizations for creativity.

For more information about Homecoming Week and its events, contact the Student Activities Office, 696-6770.



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MU Institute announces three expansion sites

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Three expansion sites for Marshall University's successful Robert C. Byrd Institute for Advanced Flexible Manufacturing will open by next spring, according to Charlotte Weber, director of the institute.

"A new RCBI facility at the MU Graduate College in South Charleston will be operational by mid-December," Weber said. "A second facility at the Benedum Airport in Bridgeport (W.Va.) will open by the first of the year, and the third site currently under construction is located in Rocket Center, West Virginia.

"With the additional locations, RCBI will be able to provide the technical training and access to state-of-the-art manufacturing equipment that the small business owner needs," she said.

Each site will house hi-tech manufacturing equipment similar to the RCBI location in Huntington, while the Bridgeport site will also have a top-notch CNC 5 axis mill which will support the growing aerospace industry in that region.

The Rocket Center site will have specialized composite equipment geared to those industries in the area who want to enter this fast growing manufacturing field.

"One Marshall University employee will work at each of the sites, with an electronic network connecting each location," Weber said. "A main database in the Huntington office will collect all the information, and our staff will work with each site to make RCBI an efficient, cost-effective organization throughout the state."

Founded in 1990, RCBI provides statewide access to advanced technologies, computer controlled manufacturing equipment and technical training to small and medium-sized manufacturers. Its main office, housed at 1050 Fourth Ave., Huntington, has served over 400 small– to medium-sized manufacturers who have over 12,000 employees and a payroll of \$350 million.

"This experience has given RCBI staff a first hand look at the real needs of our West Virginia manufacturers," Weber said. "We have discovered that the primary need for businesses is to have a technically prepared workforce."

For more information about Marshall University's Robert C. Byrd Institute for Advanced Flexible Manufacturing, contact Charlotte Weber, 696-4812.



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Marshall University to open Ethnicity Center Nov. 13

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--An opening ceremony for Marshall University's new Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Gender in Appalachia will feature three experts on the Appalachian region Nov. 13 in the Memorial Student Center on the MU campus, according to Dr. Carl Burrowes, co-director of the center.

Ronald L. Lewis, professor of history at West Virginia University, will deliver the keynote address entitled "Beyond Isolation and Homogeneity: Diversity in the History of Appalachia" at 2 p.m. in the Don Morris Room of the Memorial Student Center.

A leading labor historian, Lewis is also editor of the Appalachian Studies Journal and author of "Black Coal Miners in America: Race, Class and Community Conflict, 1780–1980," and "Coal, Iron and Slaves: Industrial Slavery in Maryland and Virginia, 1715–1865."

Two other speakers will be featured during the ceremony, according to Burrowes. "In keeping with the center's focus on diversity, we have invited two other scholars to provide responses to the keynote address," he said.

Linda Tate, an English professor at Shepherd College, will provide one of the responses. Tate has been selected to serve as a resident fellow at the center during the spring semester, when she will complete a book on her Appalachian heritage.

Joe William Trotter, Jr., history professor at Carnegie Mellon University, will provide the other response. He is the author of "Coal, Class and Color: Blacks in Southern West Virginia, 1915–32."

"We are looking forward to the lectures and the ceremony as we celebrate the opening of the new center," Burrowes said.

Funded by a \$250,000 grant from the Rockefeller Foundation of New York City, the center is designed to study relations between men and women in Appalachia, as well as the various ethnic groups of the region.

Contact Dr. Burrowes, 696-3635, for more information about the center, its opening ceremonies or the featured speakers.



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Foodland Assists Marshall University's Academic Festival

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- Foodland Inc. is purchasing equipment needed by the Marshall University SCORES (Search Committee on Recognizing Excellent Students) Academic Festival to conduct a double elimination Quiz Bowl.

Describing the SCORES festival as "one of the finest and most exciting recruiting programs available," Jack McKenna, Foodland Inc. general manager, said several of his children had benefitted from attending the festival. "Foodland is honored to provide funds that further the academic achievements of the Tri-State Area's high school students," McKenna said.

Thirty-two teams from high schools in West Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky will compete in the second annual SCORES Quiz Bowl. The top two teams will advance to national competitions held in New Orleans, La., and Washington, D.C.

Sherry B. Brooks, SCORES project coordinator, said the Foodland Quiz Bowl, named in honor of its sponsor, will be held March 6, 1998, as one of the first events in the 20th annual SCORES Academic Festival.

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Black Heritage Conference to be held Nov. 14

The 10th annual West Virginia Black Heritage Conference will feature a keynote address by the Rev. Leon Sullivan, a Charleston native and Presidential Medal of Freedom award winner, Nov. 14 at 7 p.m. in the Huntington Civic Arena, according to Dr. Carl Burrowes, conference organizer.

Sullivan is best known for his role in founding the Opportunities Industrialization Centers, which operate worldwide and have sites in Huntington, Charleston and Fairmont. He has also received the Spingarn Medal, the highest award given by the NAACP.

"Rev. Sullivan is a distinguished son of West Virginia," Burrowes said. "He was very prominent in the original march on Washington, D.C., in 1944 to obtain jobs for blacks."

In 1977 he authored the "Sullivan Principles," a code of conduct for U.S. businesses operating in South Africa that stressed racial desegregation and the promotion of black employees. He remains active internationally as convener of a biennial summit of African American leaders and African heads of states.

Sullivan's address is sponsored by Marshall University, the West Virginia Humanities Council, the West Virginia OICs and the statewide NAACP.

"His visit is particularly timely, given the pioneering role he played in linking education to the workplace and in providing training for the use of new technologies," Burrowes said. "Two issues that are now receiving increased attention in our state."

Other sessions of the Black Heritage Conference will be held at the Erickson Alumni Center from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. These sessions will include a genealogical study by a relative of John Henry; a paper on the Colored Orphans Home of Huntington, which was recently placed on the historical register, and a dialogue between two men – one white, one black – on the impact of integration on their childhood friendships and community.

All events for the 10th annual Black Heritage Conference are free and open to the public.

"However, seating is limited and attendance is expected to be high," Burrowes said. "To ensure seating, the public is urged to get tickets ahead of time."

For more information or to get tickets, contact Burrowes at 696-3635. The public can also receive tickets from Michael Thomas, Community Liaison for the City of Huntington, 696-4661, or the Huntington OIC, 525-9178.



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Nov. 7, 1997 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MU students receive College Radio Awards

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Students from Marshall University's public radio station, WMUL-FM, received seven awards in the 1997 College Media Advisers (CMA) College Radio Awards ceremony held Nov. 1 in Chicago.

"This contest is sponsored by the nation's oldest and largest college media organization," said Chuck Bailey, faculty manager of WMUL. "It is an honor to win seven of the 14 total awards granted by this prestigious organization."

MU students received three first place awards, three second place awards and one third place award in the competition.

The first place recipients and their categories were:

Best Radio Feature Reporting: "To Dance in the Circle: The Rediscovery of the West Virginia Native American," written and produced by Pete Collman, a recent MU graduate and native of Washington D.C. The report was broadcast on WMUL's "Aircheck" program Monday, July 15, 1996.

Best Radio Sports Reporting: "The Final Horn: 20 Years of Marshall Basketball in the Southern Conference," written and produced by Todd McCormick, a senior from Burke, Va., and Randy Sutherland, a sophomore from Barboursville, W.Va. The feature was broadcast on "Aircheck" Monday, April 21, 1997.

Best Radio Advertisement Production: "Death Before Disco," an inhouse radio promotional advertisement written and produced by Lindsey Baker, a junior from Huntington. It began Friday, Feb. 21, 1997 in WMUL's promotional announcement rotation and is still being used.

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The second place recipients and their categories were:

Best Radio Sports Reporting: "The Hot Corner," written and produced by Dennis Black, a graduate student from St. Petersburg, Fla. It was broadcast Thursday, Feb. 20, 1997.

Best Radio Advertisement: "Monster Radio," an in-house radio promotional advertisement written and produced by Lance Schrader, a graduate student from South Charleston, W.Va.. It began Tuesday, April 1, 1997 in WMUL's promotional announcement rotation and is still being used.

Best Radio Technical Production: "WMUL-FM Turns 35," an anniversary special written and produced by Clifford R. Haddox, a graduate student from Barboursville. It was broadcast on WMUL's "Aircheck" program Saturday, Nov. 2, 1996.

The third place entry and its category was:

Best Radio Feature Reporting: "A Common Thread," researched, written and produced by Amy Baker, a graduate from Richwood, W.Va. and Chris Shoemaker, a senior from Huntington. It was broadcast on WMUL's "Aircheck" program Monday, Nov. 18, 1996.

"I am proud of our broadcasting students who continue to provide quality broadcast performances to Tri-State listeners," Bailey said.

"They have established a tradition at WMUL-FM of being able to successfully compete at the national level with other student-operated college radio stations."

Contact Bailey, 696-2294, for more information about WMUL and its awards.



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MU Graduate College offers management seminars

SOUTH CHARLESTON, W.Va.--Marshall University's Institute for Professional Education in the MU Graduate College will offer two management seminars by satellite Nov. 18 and Dec. 9, according to Pat Dickson, MUGC account manager.

Peter R. Scholtes will conduct a seminar entitled "Making Things Happen, Getting Things Done" Nov. 18 in Room 319 of the Graduate College, located in South Charleston.

Dickson said Scholtes has motivated audiences with his internationally recognized teachings on quality, productivity and team building.

"Peter Scholtes will stress the importance of teamwork and will help participants determine when a team is needed," Dickson said. "He will also discuss the methods of defining a team's purpose, the use of practical approaches to avoid common pitfalls of teams and learning the steps to running good, effective teams."

On Dec. 9, Sean Covey of the Covey Leadership Center will conduct a seminar entitled "Overcoming the Urgency Addiction–Moving from Time Management to Life Leadership" in Room 319 of the MUGC.

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"Focusing on time management, the seminar will help individuals say no to unimportant events and issues without guilt," Dickson said.

"It will also increase productivity by identifying and focusing on high-leveraged activities, eliminate time wasting activities and discover the organizational secrets of highly productive people."

To register for the satellite seminars or for more information, contact Pat Dickson in the MU Graduate College, 696-1971.



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Artist to appear at Marshall Nov. 20

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--West Virginia artist Genny Zbach will present a lecture and demonstration Thursday, Nov. 20, at Marshall University. The lecture, free and open to the public, will take place in Erickson Alumni Center from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m., according to Dr. Alan B. Gould, director of Marshall's John Deaver Drinko Academy for American Political Institutions and Civic Culture.

The event is being sponsored by the Drinko Academy, Very Special Arts West Virginia and the university's College of Fine Arts.

Ms. Zbach, a Fairmont resident, has been a bead weaver for almost 30 years and practices her artistry despite the fact she has muscular dystrophy. She makes glass beads and sculptural work with a torch, intertwining her intricate weavings with unusual metal and glass work. "One of the most important aspects of her art is teaching," Gould said. "She teaches the differences and similarities of the weaving techniques, using them like primary colors to produce the effect she desires. Her students give the highest recommendations to her classes."

Gould said Ms. Zbach will be presented the John Deaver Drinko Distinguished Service Award, only the sixth person to receive it. She is a two-time recipient of the West Virginia Arts and Humanities Council Award and also has been presented Distinguished West Virginian and Yamagata Fellow-Very Special Arts awards.



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MU Debate Team wins forensics tournament

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--The Marshall University Debate and Individual Team won the team competition at the annual Appalachian State University Mountain Forensics Tournament held Nov. 7-9 in Boone, N.C., according to Kristine Greenwood, director of forensics in the MU Department of Communication Studies.

"We are very pleased with our showing this weekend and we hope to continue our success this year with each tournament," Greenwood said.

More than 20 schools sent teams to the three-day competition, with a total of 150 competitors. The MU team received the First Place Combined Tournament Sweepstakes Award, as four of the six team members reached the finals in individual competitions.

The following is a list of team members and their individual awards:

Alison Fisher, Ashland, Ky. senior: First Place, Informative Speaking; Third Place, Persuasive Speaking and Sixth Place, Extemporaneous Speaking.

Matt Turley, Parkersburg junior: First Place, Programmed Oral Interpretation; Second Place, Poetry Interpretation and Fourth Place, Prose Interpretation and Impromptu Speaking. Jessica Greenwood, Huntington senior: Fourth Place, Persuasion.

Vanessa Williamson, Point Pleasant freshman: Third Place, Dramatic Interpretation and Sixth Place, Prose.

Harry Knopp, Spencer senior, and Christopher Stone, Charleston senior reached the quarterfinals in the novice division of the Debate competition.

For more information about the Marshall University Debate and Individual Team, its members or the MU Forensic Program, contact Kristine Greenwood in the Department of Communication Studies, 696-6788.



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Actress to portray Pearl S. Buck Nov. 22

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.-Noted actress, writer and Appalachian storyteller Karen Vuranch will give a free portrayal of famed author Pearl S. Buck Saturday, Nov. 22 at 7 p.m. in Marshall University's Memorial Student Center, according to Dr. Ken Slack, confederate bibliographer in the James E. Morrow Library.

"Karen Vuranch's presentation of Pearl S. Buck, a West Virginia native, serves to educate the general public through accurate historical characterization," Slack said. "Her portrayals are unscripted, extemporaneous historical interpretations."

During her performance, Vuranch appears in the costume and character of this historical figure. Her presentation is given in three parts: first, she gives a 20 to 30 minute monologue as Pearl S. Buck; in the second part, she takes questions and comments from the audience as Pearl S. Buck; finally, she breaks character and answers questions as a scholar of labor history.

"Storytelling and theatre are two very different kinds of performing arts," Vuranch said. "But combining the two can be very powerful, and I use both techniques to make a very non-traditional performance."

Vuranch received a master's degree from the former West Virginia Graduate College (now Marshall University Graduate College). She is known for her work gathering oral history interviews and turning those experiences into performances. She has also completed several residencies where she worked with elementary and junior high students, teaching them to interview their family members and, in turn, tell their family stories.

She has also studied theatre at Ashland University in Ashland, Ohio and at the University College Galway in Galway, Ireland. In 1996 she received the Spirit of West Virginia Award by the West Virginia Division of Tourism. In 1990 she received the Celebrate Women Award by the West Virginia Women's Commission.

Vuranch will perform in the Shawkey Room of the MU Memorial Student Center. Funded by the West Virginia Humanities Council in cooperation with the National Endowment for the Humanities, the program is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Dr. Ken Slack in the James E. Morrow Library, 696-3097.



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<u>Outstanding high school students participate in</u> <u>MU Scholastic Journalism Program</u>

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.-Several outstanding high school journalism students are participating in this year's Scholastic Journalism Program hosted by Marshall University's W. Page Pitt School of Journalism & Mass Communications, according to Marilyn McClure, SJP director and associate professor in the school.

"The students were chosen based on involvement in high school journalism, overall grade point average and interest in studying journalism in college," McClure said.

The following is a list of students chosen to attend the 1997 SJP program:

Vanessa Albani, Keyser High School April Fugett, Lawrence County (Ky.) High School Matt Gwynn, Parkersburg South High School Amanda Justice, Baileysville High School Brandon Miller, South Point (Ohio) High School Andrew Moore, South Point (Ohio) High School

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Sarah Sheils, Huntington High School Keara Stewart, Capital High School, Charleston Maari Thrall, Parkersburg South High School Amanda Tincher, Greenbrier West High School

"The Scholastic Journalism Program offers students a chance to attend college journalism classes," McClure said. "They also get the opportunity to work on Marshall's student newspaper, The Parthenon, and participate in various workshops."

The program began in October and runs through December 5. For more information, contact McClure in the W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications, 696-2736.



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John Drinko Receives Philanthropy Award

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- John Deaver Drinko, a 1942 Marshall University graduate for whom the university's new library has been named, was honored Nov. 18 as the state's Outstanding Philanthropist.

The award was presented by the West Virginia Chapter of the National Society of Fund Raising Executives (NSFRE) during its annual National Philanthropy Day dinner program held at the University of Charleston.

A native of St. Marys, W.Va., Drinko helped build Cleveland's Baker & Hostetler into the nation's 16th largest law firm. He serves as chairman of the board for the Cleveland Institute of Electronics and the Double D Ranch in Coshocton, Ohio, and also serves on the boards of several other major corporations and foundations.

In addition to his major role in helping Marshall raise \$8 million in private funds toward construction of a new library, Drinko established one of the university's most impressive academic programs, the Drinko Academy for American Political Institutions and Civic Culture, and has provided support for scholarships, fine arts, athletics and other areas.

With his wife, the former Elizabeth Gibson, he has endowed many programs at The Ohio State University, John Carroll, Capital, Cleveland State, Case Western Reserve and Harvard universities; Baldwin-Wallace, Ursuline and Westminster colleges and the Cleveland Clinic of The Ohio State University School of Medicine. The Ohio State University, where he earned his law degree, named its Law School building in his honor. Philanthropy Awards 2-2-2

Frederick Boothe, vice president for advancement at the University of Charleston, received the Outstanding Fund Raising Executive award. In his first year as vice president, Boothe led a successful \$18.5 million campaign, publicly known as the Buckner and Lyell Clay Center, and fund-raising efforts of the PACE Scholarship Annual Fund, the Golden Eagle Athletic Club and Sports Hall of Fame, West Virginia Women's Art Gallery and the UC Foundation.

Bell Atlantic-West Virginia won the Outstanding Award for Corporation for its commitment to education, particularly the \$9.7 million World School project to provide students and teachers in 85 percent of West Virginia schools with high-speed Internet access. Bell Atlantic's program, Telephone Pioneers of America, makes it possible for employees to participate in volunteer activities such as Hug-A-Bears, a hospital visitation program, and the Sports Jamboree, a Special Olympics program.

The NSFRE is a professional association of fund-raising executives that advances philanthropy through its more than 18,000 members in 149 chapters throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico. Through its advocacy, research, education and certification programs, the society fosters development and growth of fund-raising professionals, works to advance philanthropy and volunteerism and promotes high ethical standards in the fund-raising profession.

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Marshall to help eligible students get tax break

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Freshmen and sophomores enrolling for Marshall University's 1998 Spring Term will be allowed to delay payment of their fees to Jan. 2 in order to take advantage of the federal government's new Hope Tax Credit, MU President J. Wade Gilley announced today.

The normal deadline for payment of fees--and the deadline for any students not classified as freshmen or sophomores (fewer than 58 semester hours completed)--is Dec. 12.

The Hope Tax Credit is part of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997, signed into law by President Clinton on Aug. 5. To be eligible for the tax credit of up to \$1,500, students must be in their first two years and must enroll for at least six semester hours.

"The law states that the tuition payment has to be received in 1998 and not in 1997," Gilley said. "That's the reason we have elected to defer the payments for eligible students--freshmen and sophomores," Gilley said.

To be eligible, families must earn less than \$80,000 per year (\$40,000 for single taxpayers) to fully qualify. Grants and scholarships may reduce the credit amount.

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Marshall Vice President for Finance Herbert J. Karlet said the university is mailing a notice about the deferral of payments to those students who appear to be eligible, along with a form requesting the deferment. The form must be submitted to the Bursar's Office before the normal Dec. 12 payment deadline.

Students taking advantage of the deferral must mail their payments to a billing address and have them postmarked on January 2, Karlet said.

"Although we are making this option available to eligible students, we are not in a position to provide tax advice to the students or their families," Karlet said, "and we don't intend to attempt to do so."

He said Hope Tax Credit information can be obtained through the Internal Revenue Service Office of Public Liaison--(202) 622-2970--or through an Internet web site:

http://www.ed.gov/offices/OPE/PPI/hopehome.html

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MU professor publishes 'The Millennium Man'

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Three book signing sessions will launch the release of "The Millennium Man," a new novel written by W. Joseph Wyatt, professor in the Marshall University Department of Psychology.

Wyatt will sign copies of the novel Friday, Nov. 28 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Renaissance Bookstore, 831 4th Ave. and will also answer any questions concerning the book.

On Saturday, Dec. 6, he will be in Hurricane for a signing session from 2 to 4 p.m. at Plantation Corner, 2922 Putnam Ave. One week later on Saturday, Dec. 13, Wyatt will be in Charleston from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Trans-Allegheny Books, 112 Capitol St.

Set in Teays Valley, "The Millennium Man" deals with problems of modern society through a unique perspective.

"It's a story about the 20th century," Wyatt said, "and it's an opportunity to imagine how our century would be seen by someone from the past, in this case Renaissance man Leonardo Da Vinci," Wyatt said.

"How Da Vinci travels across time and space is a bit of science fiction," he explains. "It's a device to get the impossible accomplished in order to make the novel interesting."

In the novel Da Vinci is astounded by the progression of modern society. "Advances in culture, freedom, communication and medicine abound," Wyatt said.

"But with them is a disturbing and potentially dangerous dark side," he said. "Da Vinci is surprised how easily people suspend their critical thinking and instead embrace the occult and the paranormal in misguided attempts to find happiness."

Published by Third Millennium Press, "The Millennium Man" is 192 pages.

"I wrote the book to appeal to adults who will enjoy a look back at the 20th century," Wyatt said, "but it can be enjoyed by those as young as 14 years old. It will help sharpen their critical thinking and I hope it will inoculate them against the pitfalls inherent in pseudo-science and the occult."



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Zirkle named Marshall University Employee of the Month

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Connie Zirkle of Proctorville, Ohio, administrative secretary senior in the Department of Psychology, has been selected Marshall University Employee of the Month for November, according to Bill Burdette, chairman of the selection committee.

She was nominated for the award by Martin Amerikaner, chair of the Department of Psychology, and Pamela Mulder, assistant professor in the department.

"Connie accomplishes whatever needs to be done and maintains an excellent disposition while she is doing it," Amerikaner said. "The department wouldn't function without her. She is clearly deserving of the award, considering her long tenure and excellent service."

Zirkle has been at Marshall for 11 years, including nine as secretary in the psychology department.

"She performs her job in a manner that astounds me," Mulder said. "The students and faculty rely on her, as she takes on extra tasks and challenges willingly and with a smile. Connie goes above and beyond the call of duty to help out everyone in the department."

Zirkle will receive a plaque and \$100 for being named Employee of the Month and will be eligible for the Employee of the Year Award.

Marshall University President J. Wade Gilley and his wife, Nanna, provided funds through a grant to establish the Employee of the Month and Employee of the Year program.



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MU broadcasting students receive NACB Awards

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Students from Marshall University's public radio station, WMUL-FM, received eight awards in the Seventh Annual National Student Radio Awards ceremony held Nov. 13 in Providence, R.I.

Sponsored by the National Association of College Broadcasters (NACB), more than 250 college, university and high school radio stations entered the competition.

"WMUL had more entries nominated for awards than any other school in the nation," said Chuck Bailey, faculty manager of WMUL. "I am very proud of the staff for its accomplishments at the station."

MU students received two first place awards, one second place award and two third place awards in the competition. WMUL entries also reached the finals in three NACB categories.

The first place recipients and their categories were:

Documentary/Narrative: "To Dance in the Circle: The Rediscovery of the West Virginia Native American," written and produced by Pete Collman, a recent MU graduate and native of Washington D.C. The report was broadcast on WMUL's "Aircheck" program Monday, July 15, 1996.

Promotion: "Dull Day," written, produced and performed by Chris Roberts, a junior from Eleanor. It began Wednesday, April 16, 1997 and is still being used.

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The second place recipient and its category was:

Creative Production: "Huntington Goes to War," written and produced by Pete Collman, a recent MU graduate and native of Washington D.C. The report was broadcast on WMUL's "Aircheck" program Tuesday, March 4, 1997.

The third place entries and their categories were:

Talk/Magazine Program: "A Conversation with Clark Haptonstall," (the MU Sports Information Director) conducted by Brian Guthrie, a senior from Belmont. The program was broadcast on WMUL's "Sportsview" program Wednesday, Oct. 16, 1996.

College Student Radio Broadcaster of the Year: Angela Henderson, a graduate student from Chesapeake, Ohio was WMUL's nominee.

The finalists and their categories were:

Talk/Magazine Program: "A Conversation with Keith Morehouse," (the television voice of the MU Thundering Herd) conducted by Dennis Black, a graduate student from St. Petersburg, Fla. The program was broadcast on WMUL's "Sportsview" program Wednesday, Sept. 26, 1996.

Public Service Announcement: "Smoke Detectors," written and produced by Fred McCarty, a junior from Charleston. It began Monday, April 28, 1997 and is still being used.

Sports Story: "1997 Spring Football Practice," reported by Rob Tuell, a senior from Welch. The program was broadcast Wednesday, April 2, 1997 on the sports segment of the "Five O'Clock Edition of Newscenter 88."

"With the eight nominations this year, WMUL has now been nominated for 30 awards by the NACB's National Student Radio Awards," Bailey said. "That is more than any other university, college or high school in the nation."



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Marshall has record enrollment -- again

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Marshall University hit a record high enrollment for the second straight year this fall with 13,602 students registered -- an increase of 423 or 3.2 percent over last fall's 13,179. Significantly, undergraduate enrollment is up by 4.2 percent with an increase of 458 at that level.

Official Fall Term enrollment figures were reported today by Michael J. McGuffey, director of institutional research, based on a Nov. 1 census date.

The 1997 figures are a whopping 9 percent over those of the 1995 Fall Term when the university introduced "The Marshall Plan," a revised and strengthened curriculum designed to better prepare MU students for life and work in the global economy of the 21st Century.

Marshall President J. Wade Gilley attributed the increase -- in the face of declining numbers of high school graduates in the state -- to Marshall's growing reputation for academic quality throughout the region. "One of the surprising results is a strong increase in the number of transfer students," Gilley noted. "We had 826 students transferring to Marshall this fall -- an increase of 100 over last year, or 13.8 percent."

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The number of first-time freshmen rose 10.5 percent to 2,278, including 1,805 from West Virginia and 473 from other states. The in-state increase is 100, or 5.9 percent; the out-of-state increase is 117, or 32.9 percent

Of the 13,602 registered this fall, 9,506 are full time and 4,096 are part time, both increases over last year. In-state residents make up 83 percent of the enrollment and 8 percent of the students come from the Metro area, nearby counties in Ohio and Kentucky. Another 9 percent are classified as out-of-state. Metro area enrollment increased 13.8 percent and out-of-state enrollment grew 14.5 percent above 1996 figures.

"Ideally, a university of our type would have about 20 percent of its enrollment coming from other states and countries," Gilley said. "We have not reached that point yet, but we are getting closer."

The College of Business, which earned accreditation from the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business last spring, showed the greatest percentage increase -- 10 percent -- with 142 additional students bringing its total to 1,569. Numerically, Marshall's Community and Technical College grew by 200 students to 2,303, or 9.5 percent. The College of Education and Human Services remains the largest of Marshall's colleges and schools with an enrollment of 3,003, followed by the College of Liberal Arts with 2,695. Another 2,076 are enrolled in the College of Science.

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<u>MU Small Business Center offers</u> <u>Record Keeping for Tax Reporting Seminar Dec. 10</u>

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--A seminar entitled "Record Keeping for Tax Reporting" will be offered Wednesday, Dec. 10 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Robert C. Byrd Institute, 1050 Fourth Ave., according to David Blackburn, project coordinator in the Marshall University Small Business Development Center.

"The seminar will help participants gain a working knowledge of basic monthly and quarterly tax reports as well as the recording of information as an employer," Blackburn said.

Steve Burcham, C.P.A., and Letitia Alexander, taxpayer service representative of the West Virginia Tax Department, will be the featured presenters.

"Representatives from business and corporations of all sizes are encouraged to attend," Blackburn said.

Cost of the seminar is \$25 per person. Parking will be available in the Radisson parking garage and tickets will be validated at the Robert C. Byrd Institute.

Contact Blackburn, 696-6798, for more information or to register.



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Dec. 5, 1997 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Martin Luther King Symposium scheduled Jan. 19-21

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--The community's Fifth Annual Martin Luther King Symposium will feature a candlelight march, memorial service and two prominent speakers Jan. 19-21, according to Dr. Betty J. Cleckley, Marshall University vice president for multicultural affairs and international programs.

"These different cultural events and programs are important components of our Martin Luther King Jr. celebration," Cleckley said. "The symposium is an effort to broaden knowledge and perspectives about the ideals that Dr. King set forth."

A traditional candlelight march and memorial service will take place Monday, Jan. 19 at 5 p.m. from the First Baptist Church, 801 Sixth Ave.

"The march is one of a myriad of events planned for the symposium which will give us a chance to remember Dr. King and his accomplishments," Cleckley said.

Rev. James A. Forbes, Jr., senior minister at The Riverside Church in New York City, will highlight Monday's events with a lecture at 6:30 p.m. at the 16th Street Missionary Baptist Church.

Dr. Forbes is the first African American to serve as senior minister in one of the largest multicultural congregations in the nation. He was also recognized by Newsweek magazine as "one of the 12 most effective preachers in the English speaking world" in its March, 1996 issue.

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The second of two prominent speakers at the symposium, Dr. Gregory H. Williams is the author of "Life on the Color Line: The True Story of a White Boy Who Discovered He Was Black." Williams, dean and professor of law and political science at The Ohio State University, will lecture Wednesday, Jan. 21 at 7 p.m. in the Don Morris Room of the MU Memorial Student Center.

"One of the symposium's objectives is to promote understanding and social justice," Cleckley said. "I believe these speakers will help us reach that goal."

Community awareness is another objective of the symposium, according to Cleckley. "In addition to the speakers, we will have a roundtable discussion with MU faculty and community members," she said. "There will also be a theatre production for elementary school-age children."

The theme for the fifth annual symposium is "Replenishing the Dream: Continuing the Legacy Now and Into the Year 2000 and Beyond." It is sponsored by Marshall University, Mayor Jean Dean, City of Huntington, the Cabell County Public Library, the Herald-Dispatch and the Huntington/Cabell County NAACP.

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MU Institute offers business ethics seminar Dec. 15

A business ethics seminar will be offered by the Marshall University Institute for Business Development Monday, Dec. 15 from noon to 4 p.m. at the Robert C. Byrd Institute, 1050 Fourth Ave., according to Dr. Larry Kyle, director of the institute's Business Development and Training Division.

"The seminar will help participants learn how to recognize ethical problems and ways to effectively reason through ethical situations," Kyle said.

Dr. Jeffrey L. Powell, assistant professor in the MU Department of Philosophy, will be the featured presenter.

"Representatives from business and corporations of all sizes are encouraged to attend," Kyle said.

Cost of the seminar is \$50 per person. Parking will be available in the Radisson parking garage and tickets will be validated at the Robert C. Byrd Institute.

For more information or to register, contact Annette Blake at 696-6797 or fax 696-4876.



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Dec. 8, 1997 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Marshall University registration periods scheduled

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Regular registration for Marshall University's spring semester will be held Monday through Friday, Jan. 5– 9, in the Registrar's Office, Old Main Room B-1, according to Registrar Roberta Ferguson.

Registration will take place from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday.

"Students will also be able to register by phone using the university's computerized phone registration system, MILO (Marshall Information Liaison Online)," Ferguson said. "Specific instructions for utilizing the MILO system are in the spring 1998 schedule of courses."

During the regular registration period (Jan. 5–9) students will be able to call 304-696-MILO (6456) or 1-800-696-MILO to register. Students can call from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday.

All regular registration fees must be paid by 4 p.m. Friday, Jan 9.

Late registration and schedule adjustment will take place Monday through Friday, Jan. 12–16, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday. There will be a \$20 late fee assessed for late registration.

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All late registration fees must be paid by the close of business on the day of registration.

Course schedules, which contain specific registration details, are available in the Office of the Registrar, Old Main Room 106. Persons not admitted to the university may start the admission process at the Office of Admissions, Old Main Room 125.

Classes will begin Monday, Jan. 12 at 8 a.m.

For more information about registration, contact the Registration Division of the MU Registrar's Office, 304-696-6413.

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MU broadcasting students receive Marconi Awards

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Students from Marshall University's public radio station, WMUL-FM, received three first place awards in the Fifth Annual Marconi College Radio Awards ceremony held last month in Chicago.

"It is a very rewarding accomplishment to win three first place Marconi awards out of the eight granted in 1997," said Chuck Bailey, faculty manager of WMUL.

"With 14 total first place finishes since 1992, WMUL-FM has won more Marconi awards than any other college radio station in the nation. I am proud of our students who have brought such honor to Marshall University, the W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications and WMUL-FM."

The first place recipients and their categories were:

Newstalk Achievement: "Five o'clock edition of Newscenter 88," anchored by Rebecca Bokkon, a sophomore from Summersville, and Jeff Shaw, a junior from Burgin, Ky. The program was broadcast Thursday, March 27, 1997.

Sportscasting Achievement: The sports segment of the "Five o'clock edition of Newscenter 88," written and anchored by Derek Chapman, a junior from Chesapeake, Ohio. The program was broadcast Friday, Feb. 28, 1997.

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Sports Play-By-Play: WMUL -FM's broadcast of the MU–WVU football game Aug. 30, 1997. Broadcasting students announcing the game were Brian Guthrie, a senior from Belmont; Dennis Black, a graduate student from St. Petersburg, Fla. and Angela Henderson, a graduate student from Chesapeake, Ohio.

"The work that WMUL–FM entered in the competition was professional and clearly met the objectives of the categories," said Rob Creighton, coordinator of the Marconi College Radio Awards. "The student broadcasters of WMUL–FM really do a good job and we look forward to hearing their work in future contests."

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Broce named Marshall University Employee of the Month

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Gina Broce of Huntington, program assistant I in the School of Nursing, has been selected Marshall University Employee of the Month for December, according to Bill Burdette, chairman of the selection committee.

Broce has worked for the MU School of Nursing for seven years. She was nominated for the award by Giovanna Morton, professor and associate dean of the school.

"Gina began her career at Marshall University when the Master of Science in Nursing program was initiated," Morton said. "Over the course of these years she has assumed her duties graciously and has readily adapted to many changes.

"In spite of her heavy workload, Gina always has a smile and a kind word for everyone. I repeatedly hear from students, faculty, staff and the general public how much they appreciate her. She is truly an ambassador for Marshall University."

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Broce will receive a plaque and \$100 for being named Employee of the Month and will be eligible for the Employee of the Year Award.

Marshall University President J. Wade Gilley and his wife, Nanna, provided funds through a grant to establish the Employee of the Month and Employee of the Year program.

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Renowned geographer to join Marshall faculty

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Dr. Harm J. de Blij, one of America's most prominent geographers, is joining the Marshall University faculty as John Deaver Drinko Distinguished Professor in the Department of Geography.

Announcement of the appointment, effective with the beginning of the Spring Term next month, was made by Dr. Alan B. Gould, executive director of Marshall's Drinko Academy for American Political Institutions and Civic Culture.

"We are thrilled to be able to add an individual of Harm de Blij's renown to the Marshall faculty," Gould said. "He is, without reservation, one of the pre-eminent individuals in his field and we believe he will make an outstanding contribution to Marshall University and its students."

Under terms of the appointment, de Blij will serve as a visiting professor at Marshall twice each year, once during the Fall Term and once in the Spring Term, Gould said. His first visit is scheduled for April 1998. In addition to lecturing classes, he will address local and regional civic and social organizations, make media presentations and conduct workshops.

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De Blij was geography editor and ABC's "Good Morning America" for seven years. He joined NBC News as geography analyst in 1996. As television's geographer, he has appeared from locations throughout the world, explaining the geographic background to major events.

He has published more than 30 books, including some which have spent years on the bestseller lists. His publishers include the Smithsonian Institution, the National Geographic Society (of which he is a life member), Rand McNally and John Wiley and Sons. His books have been translated into several languages, including French, Italian, Russian and Chinese.

Born in the Netherlands, de Blij received his early schooling in Europe, his college education in Africa and his advanced degrees in the United States. He specializes in geopolitical and environmental issues and has held a number of academic positions, including those of Distinguished Professor of Political Geography in Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service and Presidential Professor at the Colorado School of Mines.

His work in teaching, research and television has taken him to more than 100 countries.

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De Blij has appeared at Marshall several times, Gould noted, serving in the John Deaver and Elizabeth Drinko Distinguished Chair in Liberal Arts in the fall of 1990. He was the university's Commencement speaker in 1991 and was presented the honorary Doctor of Science degree.

An avid wine collector, de Blij has written three books on that topic, including the award-winning "Wine: A Geographical Appreciation."

He and his wife, Bonnie, maintain homes in Boca Grande, Fla. and Chatham, Mass.

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