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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- The Marshall University Alumni Association is accepting reservations for its 23-day group tour of the Orient, scheduled for May 31-June 22, 1986, according to Linda S. Holmes, director of alumni affairs. The tour includes seven days in the People's Republic of China.

Departing from the West Coast, the group will spend the first three nights of the eight-city tour in Tokyo, Japan's captial city. From Tokyo the group will take the Bullet Train to Kyoto, Japan, for two nights' stay.

The People's Republic of China tour begins with three nights in Beijing (Peking). The group also will spend two nights in Xi'an (Sian) and two nights in Shanghai.

After leaving China, the group will spend three nights in the British-administered colony of Hong Kong, three nights in Bangkok, Thailand's capital, and two nights in Singapore city, capital of the island nation Singapore. There will be an additional night's stay in Tokyo prior to the group's return to the United States.

A brochure detailing itenerary and prices is available by calling the Office of Alumni Affairs at Marshall (304) 696-3134.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- A troublesome and sometimes deadly virus will be the target of a three-year, \$150,000 research project by Dr. Maurice A. Mufson of the Marshall University School of Medicine and the Veterans Administration Medical Center.

Funded by the VA's Merit Review Award program, the project will study respiratory syncytial virus, which Mufson called the No. 1 priority of vaccine researchers dealing with viruses which cause serious respiratory diseases in children.

"This virus is a leading cause of pneumonia in young children, and can sometimes even cause death in elderly people," he said. "Although various vaccines have been tested since the 1960s -- in fact, we've even tested one here at Marshall -- none has yet proved adequate."

Mufson's work is an outgrowth of a recent sabbatical at the Karolinska Institute in Stockholm. His primary goal was to "retool," learning the latest techniques for studying the RS virus.

However, his work with internationally known virologist Erling Norrby produced evidence that there might in fact be two slightly different subtypes of the RS virus. In the new project, he will study RS virus samples collected in Huntington over the past six years, trying to find out more about the virus structure.

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His tools will be 33 specially created monoclonal antibodies. Each of them reacts to one small part of the RS virus. By studying their reactions -- alone and in groups -- Mufson hopes to unlock some of the virus's secrets: Will any of these antibodies protect an animal from RS virus? Does one virus subtype or the other predominate in any given year? How much difference is there between strains?

"Because monoclonal antibodies are so specific, they may very well provide the information needed to understand this virus and eventually develop an effective vaccine," Mufson said.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Thanks to a Huntington business leader and his wife, Marshall University will initiate a program to recognize outstanding teaching, MU President Dale F. Nitzschke announced at a meeting of the university's faculty this afternoon (Tuesday, Oct. 1). He said the annual recipient of the honor will receive a \$3,000 cash award.

Nitzschke said the program is being made possible by an endowment contributed to the university by Marshall T. Reynolds, chairman of the board of Key Bancshares of West Virginia, Inc., and general manager of Chapman Printing Co., and his wife, Shirley.

Nitzschke said the \$30,000 gift will be invested by the Marshall Foundation and annual proceeds from the investment will be used to provide the award money.

"This is a reflection of the extreme generosity and intense commitment to Marshall University that Marshall and Shirley Reynolds have displayed over many years," Nitzschke said. "We at the university are most appreciative of their support. This emphasis on the academic performance of Marshall University will be a stimulus for all of our faculty members, and their students."

Nitzschke said he would ask Dr. Alan B. Gould, acting vice president for academic affairs, to appoint a committee composed of faculty and students to develop selection criteria and procedural guidelines for the outstanding teaching award.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Marshall University President Dale F. Nitzschke has sent State Senator Anthony Yanero of Fairmont a green Marshall sweater, an "I Love The Herd" button and an invitation to visit the Marshall campus.

The gifts and invitation followed news reports which quoted Yanero as saying, "I'm a charter member of the hate Marshall..."

According to the news stories, Yanero's statement was interrupted when he was reminded reporters were present at a meeting of the Legislature's Subcommittee on Higher Education Tuesday. His remark reportedly came when he was asked if he planned to take part in the subcommittee's annual visit to Marshall, Oct. 17-19.

The text of Nitzschke's letter follows:

"The remark attributed to you at Tuesday's meeting seems to have aroused -- and that's a most appropriate word -- considerable interest in the Huntington area. As a result of some intense reporting of the alleged incident by the local news media, along with some editorial comment, I suspect you will be receiving some communications from the local citizenry. It's possible some of these messages will be drenched in blood which, of course, will be green.

"While I am sure the remark -- if, indeed, it was made -- was in the nature of a humorous comment, I fear it is not being accepted in a light-hearted vein. I have expressed to several representatives of the news media my belief that the remark should not be treated in a serious manner and that I am sure you are -- and will be -- supportive of Marshall University.

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Yanero 2-2-2

"In line with that, I am having sent to you under separate cover a most attractive sweater of a Kelly-green hue, along with a button which expresses an emotional attachment to the Thundering Herd. I hope you will find appropriate occasions on which to wear the sweater and the button, including a visit to the Marshall University campus.

"We would be both delighted and appreciative if you could find time to be with us in Huntington, as I'm certain such a visit would add to and intensify your affection for Marshall University. Please just let me know when you might be able to join us and I will do everything in my power to see that you receive a friendly, Southern West Virginia welcome and that your visit will be both pleasant and memorable.

"Thank you -- very much! I'll look forward to hearing from you."

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- "Puttin' on the Ritz" is the theme for Marshall University's Homecoming '85, with student activities beginning Sunday, Oct. 13. Alumni events are scheduled for Friday, Oct. 18, and Saturday, Oct. 19.

Kimberly Adkins, a Huntington junior and student homecoming chairperson, said activities range from the traditional parade, a bonfire and pep rally to a fashion show, talent competition and live musical performances.

The first Alumni-sponsored event is "An Evening with Marshall Friends" reception from 8 to 11 p.m. Friday, Oct. 18, in Suite A of the Huntington Civic Center, according to Cynthia A. Warren, chairperson for the Alumni Association's Homecoming Committee. McCall & Co., a variety trio, will entertain.

On Saturday, Oct. 19, campus tours for returning alumni will be conducted at 9 a.m. Tours will originate from the lobby of Memorial Student Center.

The traditional Lunch-Under-the-Tent will be combined with a tailgate party co-sponsored by several area businesses. The lunch will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at Prindle Field, across from Fairfield Stadium. The Lucky Jazz Band will play during the lunch.

Co-sponsors of the lunch/party are Jimbo's Carry Out, S.S. Logan Packing Co., Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co., Archer's Flowers, Inc., and A to Z rentals.

Those attending the lunch will receive a handstamp to allow them to return to Prindle Field, at no additional charge, for a post-game party until 6 p.m. Those unable to attend the luncheon may go to the post-game party at a separate charge.

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Homecoming 2-2-2

Kickoff for the Homecoming football game against Southern Conference opponent V.M.I. is 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Fairfield Stadium.

Alumni representatives from five fraternities -- Kappa Alpha, Pi Kappa Alpha, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Phi Epsilon and Tau Kappa Epsilon -- are sponsoring a dance from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Memorial Field House. Visions Trac/Four and Dave Clark and the Fabulous Hot Nuts will perform.

Active members of the Alumni Association are entitled to discounts on certain events if they make reservations prior to Oct. 11. For additional information and to make reservations, call the Office of Alumni Affairs, (304) 696-3134.

Most of the student events will be held on the Memorial Student Center plaza or in the Center's lobby, depending upon weather. Other sites are listed in the following schedule:

Sunday, Oct. 13

--White Water Rafting Trip on the New River.

Monday, Oct. 14

--Caricatures Unlimited 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

--Mr. Entertainer and WGNT Live, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

--Reading of the Homecoming Week Proclamation by Steve Williams, Huntington interim chief executive officer, noon.

--Fashion Show, with the top 13 candidates for homecoming queen and court modeling apparel from local businesses, noon.

--Off-Off Broadway Talent Nite, featuring local musician Rob Harris, 9:30 p.m., Sundown Coffeehouse, Memorial Student Center.

Tuesday, Oct. 15

--Caricatures Unlimited, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

--Taw Kwon Do Exhibition, 11 a.m.

--"Top Dog Puttin' on the Dog," Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke and top administrators will serve refreshments donated by ARA Food Services, noon-12:30 p.m.

--Teaser for the Denny & Lee Show, noon.

--"Excitement in Illusion," Denny & Lee magic and comedy show, 7 p.m., W. Don Morris Room, Memorial Student Center.

--Greek Lip Sync Contest, 9:30 p.m., Varsity club.

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Wednesday, Oct. 16

- Organizational Fair, WGNT Live and Victorian Pictures, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- MU Mass Choir, 11 a.m.
- Naming of Homecoming attendants and two finalists for queen, noon.
- Mr. Entertainer, noon.
- "Orchards," performed by The Acting Company of Kennedy Center 8 p.m., Old Main Auditorium.

Thursday, Oct. 17

- Mime Michael Troutman, 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Rob Harris, 11 a.m.
- MU Jazz Band, noon
- "A Rock and Roll Time Tunnel," giant-screen history of rock 'n' roll sponsored by Kodak, four showings, at 5, 6, 7 and 8 p.m., W. Don Morris Room, Memorial Student Center.
- Homecoming Parade, 7 p.m., route begins at Cabell County Court House and proceeds along Fourth Avenue to campus.
- Bonfire, sponsored by Twin Towers East and Danco, Inc., 9 p.m., Henderson Center field, music by Mr. Entertainer; WGNT Live broadcast.

Friday, Oct. 18

- Mr. Entertainer, 10 a.m.-noon.
- Pep Rally, 10 a.m.-noon, featuring MU Pep Band, majorettes and cheerleaders and athletes representing all fall sports, noon; free pizza provided by Domino's.
- WGNT Live, noon-1 p.m.
- "The Cotton Club," movie, three showings at 3, 7 and 9:30 p.m., Old Main Auditorium.
- "Green and White" night at the Varsity.

Saturday, Oct. 19

--Football game, 1:30 p.m., Fairfield Stadium. Marshall American Marketing Association will be selling balloons prior to the game for a "lift-off at kick-off," Ms. Adkins said.

--Student Homecoming Dance, 9 p.m.-1 a.m., Huntington Civic Center's East Hall; music by The Movies.

The public is invited to student homecoming activities but there will be charges for some. Those wishing more information may contact the Student Activities Office at (304) 696-6770.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Lucila Mejia de Morales, leader of the Bolivian Federation of Peasant Women, will make several presentations at Marshall University on Tuesday and Wednesday, Oct. 22-23.

She will be a guest speaker for the university's Vital Issues Program at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 22, in room 2W22 in the Memorial Student Center and will then make a presentation for the MU Council for International Education at 3:15 p.m. Tuesday in the Campus Christian Center.

On Wednesday at noon, she will participate in a lunchbag seminar presented by the Marshall Women's Center in room 143 Prichard Hall. She also will make a presentation for the MU International Club at 3 p.m. Wednesday in the Student Center Alumni Lounge.

Morales grew up in a small Bolivian village where she worked as a servant to put herself through school. She completed the sixth grade, a rare accomplishment for a peasant woman, and then began teaching other women to read and write.

In 1977, she was elected secretary of the Peasant Women of La Paz and by 1980 was named executive national secretary of the Federation of Peasant Women.

Morales narrowly escaped death in 1980 when she went to the Central Workers' headquarters with her son and a companion. She left the building for 15 minutes to get milk for her son. During that time, the union headquarters was taken over by the army and her companion was killed.

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She went into hiding for a year with the Federation's documents hidden in the folds of her traditional peasant skirt. The Archbishop of LaPaz finally gave her shelter and protection until democracy returned and she was able to resume her work.

Her visit to Marshall is made possible through the Third World Women's Project of the Institute for Policy Studies, the MU Women's Center and the International Student Office. All of the sessions are open to the public. For more information phone the International Student Office, 696-2379, or the Women's Center, 696-3112.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- Two regional scientific groups will have their annual conferences in Huntington this week and next, hosted by the Marshall University School of Medicine.

The Southern Society of Anatomists, meeting through Saturday, will include presentations by a director from the National Institute on Aging, scientists from Johns Hopkins University, a researcher from West Germany, and others. A free public lecture by Dr. Donald C. Johanson, director of the Institute of Human Origins, will be presented at 8 p.m. Thursday in Marshall's Memorial Student Center.

Conference topics will include the aging brain, human evolution, the visual system and diabetes, according to Dr. James Fix, MU chairman of anatomy and president of the anatomists' group.

The Allegheny Section of the American Society for Microbiology will meet Oct. 17-19, with speakers from research centers in 10 states. According to President-Elect Albert G. Moat, MU chairman of microbiology, sessions will focus on such topics as immunology, Legionnaire's Disease, and applied and environmental microbiology. About 180 to 200 participants are expected.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Marshall University's College of Education has received a \$319,000 federal grant to develop new training services for pre-school autistic children, MU President Dale F. Nitzschke and College of Education Dean Allen A. Mori announced today.

The three-year grant, from the U.S. Department of Education's Handicapped Children's Early Education Program, will be used in conjunction with the Autism Training Center at Marshall to develop model training services for autistic children through the age of six and will provide services for up to 30 children and their families in a nine-county area.

"I'm very pleased that the federal government is supporting this program," Nitzschke said. "It is another example of how the resources of Marshall University can be used as a channel to provide significant services to the people of our area in many ways, ranging from economic development activities to meeting individual health needs.

"The grant has an additional benefit in that it provides for employment of seven people," Nitzschke added. "That's very important for our community."

Dr. Glen Dunlap, director of training and research for the Autism Training Center and project director for the grant, said there is a "tremendous and essential need" to focus services on the pre-school population of autistic children. "We know that significant progress can be achieved when the children are very young and that the same progress can be difficult when children are older. This grant is specifically designed to help develop new programs for the young children."

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The grant also will allow the Autism Training Center to reach more people and provide more services. "Autism and similar disorders are more widespread than one might think," noted Dunlap. "Services for autistic children have improved greatly throughout the country over the last 20 years, but the problem has been one of access to the services. Access is essential to make gains and this grant will help in that area as well.

"What we are really striving for though is to produce programs and a model for the treatment of autism that will be worthy of replication for programs throughout this region and in other areas nationwide," Dr. Dunlap said.

Counties to be served under the grant are Mason, Putnam, Kanawha, Cabell, Lincoln, Boone, Wayne, Mingo and Logan, Dunlap said.

The Board of Regents established the Autism Training Center at Marshall in 1984 to provide training, assistance and information to individuals with autism and to provide training to those who work with autistic persons throughout West Virginia.

The center serves individuals whose primary diagnosis is autism or those who display other related behavioral disorders--such as severe deficits in communication and delays in social or emotional development.

Autism is neurological developmental disability which typically appears during the first three years of age, and is characterized by deficits in communication and social skills, and by uneven or delayed rates of development in other areas.

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MEDIA NOTE -- Ms. Stevens will be available for interviews Friday afternoon, Oct. 18. Contact Dr. Barbara Guyer of Marshall University at 696-2340 for an appointment.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- The Marshall University Division of Teacher Education, along with the Cabell County Public Schools and the Huntington Area Association for Children with Learning Disabilities, will sponsor an appearance by Suzanne Stevens, author and lecturer on learning disabilities, at 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 17, at the American Red Cross Building, 1111 Veterans Memorial Blvd.

Stevens is the author of "The Learning Disabled Child: Ways That Parents Can Help" and "Classroom Success for the Learning Disabled." Her second book was inspired by a meeting with a learning disabled person in the Huntington area several years ago.

Earlier this year, she was the keynote speaker at the national conference on the association for Children with Learning Disabilities where she spoke on "The Advantages of Being Learning Disabled."

Regarded as a dynamic speaker, Stevens travels the country making presentations to learning disabled groups and teachers. She formerly worked as a learning disabilities teacher, a college professor and school systems consultant.

She will make three presentations in Huntington Oct. 17: "Teaching Techniques for L.D. Teachers" from 4 to 6 p.m.; "Ways that Parents and Teachers Can Work Together" from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. and "The Advantages of Being Learning Disabled" from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m.

All of the presentations will be open to the public, free of charge.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- The Legislative Subcommittee on Higher Education will pay its annual visit to Marshall University Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 17-19, MU President Dale F. Nitzschke announced today.

Senator Keith Burdette of Parkersburg and Delegate Gilbert E. Bailey of Princeton are co-chairmen of the joint subcommittee.

The subcommittee will meet with various groups on campus Thursday, October 17, and will conduct sessions with School of Medicine personnel and students in the Medical Education Building at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Spring Valley Friday, October 18.

Subcommittee members will meet with President Nitzschke Saturday morning, then will participate in Marshall Homecoming activities.

Thursday's schedule (all sessions in Memorial Student Center): 9:30 a.m., meet with President's Cabinet; 10:15 a.m., meet with Deans Council; 11:15 a.m., meeting with students; 12 noon, lunch with Marshall's Institutional Board of Advisors; 1 p.m., campus tour; 2 p.m., meet with classified staff; 3 p.m., meet with faculty; 3:45 p.m., closing session with President's Cabinet.

Friday's schedule (Medical Education Building): 9:30 a.m., meet with School of Medicine administration; 10:15 a.m., meet with School of Medicine faculty; 11:15 a.m., building tour; 12:15 p.m., lunch with medical students; 1:15 p.m., meet with School of Medicine classified staff; 2 p.m., closing session with administration.

Saturday, the legislators will meet with Nitzschke in Memorial Student Center at 9 a.m., attend the Alumni Association's Lunch-Under-the-Tent at Prindle Field at 11:30 a.m., and attend the Marshall-VMI football game in Fairfield Stadium at 1:30 p.m.

The various meetings will be open to the public.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Several members of the United States House of Representatives will visit the campus of Marshall University on Monday, Oct. 21, according to West Virginia Congressman Nick Rahall. The visitors will talk with students during a forum at 1:30 p.m. in Memorial Student Center, Room 2W22, to find out what issues today's students are concerned about, Rahall said.

Marshall is one of 20 colleges and universities across the nation that will be visited by teams of Democratic congressmen who will conduct a "Forum for the Future" during which students will be able to speak directly to congressmen about their concerns and hopes.

"We are very fortunate that Congressman Rahall was able to secure Marshall as one of the few sites these dignitaries will visit," said Dr. Simon D. Perry, chairman of the Marshall Political Science Department, one of the sponsoring organizations, along with Pi Sigma Alpha political science honorary, the Marshall Vital Issues Program and the House Democrat Caucus.

West Virginia Congressmen Bob Wise and Harley Staggers are expected to take part in the forum, along with Congressman Bill Alexander of Arkansas and several other congressmen yet to be named.

The Congressional contingent will take part in the opening ceremony of Marshall's week-long observance of National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week at 11:30 a.m. Monday, Oct. 21, and then will be introduced at a luncheon of the Huntington Rotary Club before the forum.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- "It's Your Choice" will be the theme for a series of activities scheduled on the Marshall University campus Oct. 21-25 in conjunction with National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week.

The observance has been designed to educate students and the public about the use and abuse of alcohol, according to Bonnie Trisler, coordinator of student health and education programs at Marshall.

One of the most visible exhibits will be located near Memorial Student Center. "Just as a reminder, a crashed car full of beer cans will be on display," Ms. Trisler said. "Perhaps that will get the point across better than anything."

Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke will open the activities Monday, Oct 21, at 11:30 a.m. on the Memorial Student Center Plaza. Several visiting congressmen and local community leaders are expected to be present for the ceremony.

"PEER CAAPS (Counseling Alcohol Abuse Prevention by Students) is sponsoring several of the activities, and local businesses have contributed money and services to help make the week a success," Ms. Trisler said. As one result, free taxi rides home will be provided students following the Homecoming dance Oct. 19, she said.

PEER CAAPS is an organization of students who have received training in alcohol use and abuse and who provide educational seminars for interested groups both on and off campus, Ms. Trisler said.

An Alcohol Awareness Carnival, featuring pie-eating, pizza-eating and root beer-chugging contests, is scheduled Monday, Oct. 21, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the Student Center Plaza. A Career Fair also will be conducted that day from noon to 3 p.m. in the Student Center's Alumni Lounge with representatives of about 25 agencies and businesses available to share information about their services and employment opportunities in alcohol-related fields.

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Tuesday's schedule includes a lunchbag program at 12:30 p.m. in Student Center Room 2W37. The program, "Women and Alcohol," will deal with the prevalence of alcoholism in women and the differences between male and female alcoholics. Alcoholic treatment strategies for women also will be discussed.

A series of award-winning films pertaining to alcohol use will be shown that evening at 6 o'clock in the same room.

Activities will be moved to the Student Center Coffeehouse Wednesday, beginning with films at 6 p.m., followed by a breathalyzer demonstration and introduction of special non-alcoholic drinks. The winner of the Alcohol Awareness Week poster contest will be announced and all entries in the contest will be displayed.

A program on the problems of adult children of alcoholics is planned for Thursday, Oct. 24, at 6 p.m. in Student Center Room 2W37. Activities will conclude Friday with a performance by musician Rob Harris at 9 p.m. in the Coffeehouse and completion of an alcohol trivia contest being held throughout the week.

All activities will be open to the public, Ms. Trisler said. Additional details may be obtained from the Marshall Special Services Office, 696-3164.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Retired Air Force Brigadier General Charles E. "Chuck" Yeager has accepted an invitation to be Marshall University's 1986 Commencement speaker next May 10, MU President Dale F. Nitzschke announced today.

"In addition to being perhaps the greatest pilot who ever lived, Chuck Yeager stands as a shining example of what we in West Virginia can achieve if we display the same sort of determination and courage he has demonstrated for more than 40 years," Nitzschke said. "I am extremely happy and grateful that he has agreed to be the principal speaker at next spring's Marshall Commencement."

Yeager, a native of Lincoln County, W. Va., became the first man to fly faster than the speed of sound 38 years ago this month--on Oct. 14, 1947--when he piloted the X-1, a rocket-powered research plane, through the "sound barrier." Before his flight, engineers had feared airplanes would break up as they approached supersonic speed.

Yeager had joined the Army Air Corps as an enlisted man in 1941, shortly after his graduation from Hamlin High School. The 18-year-old airplane mechanic became a combat pilot under the "Flying Sergeants" program in World War II. He became a legendary flier in the skies above Europe, scoring five "kills" of German fighter planes in one mission, thus becoming an "ace" in one day, and shooting down an early German jet in his propeller-driven P-51 Mustang.

Yeager's greatest exploits followed the war when, as a test pilot, he flew the X-1, named "Glamorous Glennis" in honor of his wife, to a series of speed and altitude records culminating in the historic supersonic flight. He was to make many more record-breaking flights as a test pilot and by the time he retired from active duty in 1975, Yeager had logged more than 10,000 hours of flying time in 180 different military aircraft, including foreign and experimental rocket planes.

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Yeager later flew missions in the Korean and Vietnam wars, including test flights to determine the capabilities of a Russian MIG 15 delivered by a defecting North Korean pilot. He flew 127 combat missions in Vietnam.

His 35-year career also included assignments as a fighter squadron commander in Europe, wing commander in the Pacific during the Vietnam War, vice commander of the 17th Air Force in Europe, U.S. defense representative in Pakistan, and safety director for the Air Force.

In one of his most far-reaching assignments, Yeager served several years as commander of the Air Force's Aerospace Research Pilots School, a pioneer program to train pilots for eventual space missions. Thirty-eight of the school's graduates ultimately became astronauts.

Although he was a national hero as the first man to fly at supersonic speeds, it wasn't until 1979 that Yeager finally became a nationally-known hero with the publication of Tom Wolfe's book about the early years of the manned space program, "The Right Stuff."

Wolfe portrayed Yeager as the prototype military test pilot/astronaut, courageous, calm, detached, even laconic in the face of great danger--a true possessor of "the right stuff" and the man who put an Appalachian drawl into the voices of military and commercial pilots everywhere.

His new fame expanded with the motion picture version of "The Right Stuff," appearances in nationally-broadcast television commercials, and last summer's publication of Yeager's autobiography, "Yeager." The book, co-authored by Leo Janos, became a best-seller and a Book-of-the-Month Club selection.

Yeager, who was awarded the honorary Doctor of Science degree from Marshall in 1969, was honored again last Monday when Charleston's Kanawha Airport was re-named Yeager Airport and a new vocational school in Lincoln County was named in his honor.

Nitzschke said the Saturday Commencement program will begin at 11 a.m. in the Huntington Civic Center. It will be open to the public.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- Marshall University President Dale F. Nitzschke has announced the selection of Dr. Gary O. Rankin, interim chairman of pharmacology, as the first faculty member to represent Marshall in its "Meet the Scholar Program."

"We're trying to give the people of this area a look behind the scenes at some of the real academic excellence here at Marshall, and Gary Rankin is a perfect example," said Dr. Nitzschke. "He's the first of many faculty scholars we hope the people of our region will get to know a little better through this program."

According to selection committee chairman Christopher Dolmetsch, Rankin thoroughly met the criteria of outstanding achievement, research and scholarship.

"He especially embodies the concept that scholarship is an ongoing process which requires constantly being involved in creative activities," Dr. Dolmetsch said. "He has been extremely successful in drawing research attention and funding to Marshall.

"His research area of toxicology also has a very timely impact on our region, with its concerns about chemical production and wastes," he added.

Dr. Alan B. Gould, acting vice president of academic affairs, called Rankin "very dynamic and articulate, with an impressive ability to communicate very complex technical research in layman's terms."

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Rankin, who has been associated with the Marshall University School of Medicine since 1978, will be honored at a special reception with area business and community leaders at Nitzschke's home on Friday, Oct 25. The reception will be one of the highlights of the university's celebration of National Higher Education Week Oct. 19-26.

Rankin received his B.S. degree in chemistry from the University of Arkansas and his Ph.D. in medicinal chemistry from the University of Mississippi.

While at Marshall, he has twice been named Professor of the Year by medical students. He also received the 1984-85 Excellence in Teaching Award, and was named the Outstanding Researcher of the Year by Marshall's chapter of Sigma Xi, a scientific research honorary.

He has received several research grants, including one from the National Institutes of Health to study why chemical compounds used as anti-epileptic drugs and fungicides sometimes cause kidney damage.

He has written a chapter for a book in his field, nearly three dozen articles for professional journals, and about the same number of scientific abstracts.

He serves on numerous committees of the School of Medicine and the Veterans Administration Medical Center, as well as community organizations such as the Huntington Galleries and the local American Heart Association affiliate.

Gould said Marshall will continue to reach out to the region with the Meet the Scholars Program. "We have many truly outstanding faculty members whose presence directly and indirectly affects people throughout our area," he said. "These scholars personify Marshall's commitment to excellence, and we're pleased to have a program which recognizes them."



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NOTE TO EDITORS, NEWS DIRECTORS:

Dr. Gary Rankin, selected to represent Marshall University in the first "Meet the Scholar Program," will be introduced at a news conference scheduled for 1 p.m. Friday, October 25, in the Shawkey Room of Memorial Student Center.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- West Virginia House of Delegates member George E. Farley of Parkersburg, chairman of the House Finance Committee, will visit Marshall University Thursday, Oct. 24, for meetings with the Marshall President's Cabinet and Huntington area community leaders.

Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke said Farley will meet with the President's Cabinet at 11 a.m., then will attend a luncheon with community leaders at noon. At 1:15 p.m. Farley will meet with representatives of the area's news media. All sessions will be held in Marshall's Memorial Student Center.

Farley's visit is the seventh in a series of meetings arranged by Dr. Nitzschke with key members of the legislative and executive branches of state government.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- "Issues in Aging: A Family Focus" will be the title of the first Martha Lee Blankenship seminar which will be held on the campus of Marshall University Friday and Saturday, Oct. 25-26.

The program was named in honor of the late Dr. Martha Lee Blankenship who was a long-time member of the Marshall Home Economics Department and served as chairwoman of the first West Virginia Home Economics Professional Day.

The seminar, which will serve as this year's Home Economics Association Professional Day, will feature a program that has been designed to benefit professionals, paraprofessionals, students and lay persons.

The presentations will begin Friday with a panel on "Aging: A Variety of Definitions" at 9:15 a.m. in Old Main Auditorium. All other activities will take place in Memorial Student Center.

Participants will be able to choose from a variety of topics throughout the rest of the day.

Sessions from 10:10 to 11:15 a.m. include: "Coping with Loss: What I Am, Not What I Was;" "Fads and Fallacies in the Health Care of the Aged;" "Independent Living for the Elderly," and "Pharmacogeriatrics."

Beginning at 11:15 a.m., presentations will include: "Ethics and the Aging;" "Osteoporosis;" "Widowhood;" and "Couple Relationships in Later Years."

The keynote speaker for the luncheon at 12:15 p.m. Friday will be Dr. Barbara Silverstone from the New York Association for the Blind, the Lighthouse, whose topic will be "The Aging Parent and Family."

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Other sessions scheduled Friday afternoon will be: "Legal Issues and the Aging;" "Healthy Relaxation;" "Elderproofing Your Home;" and "Alzheimer's Disease: What Is It! How to Work With It!"

The first presentation Saturday, Oct. 26, will begin at 9:15 a.m. when Dr. Gloria Barry, gerontology specialist from Temple University, presents "Interdisciplinary Approaches to Care Utilizing the Family Member."

Saturday morning sessions will include: "Retirement--A Career Goal: The Economic Factor;" "Up From the Dumps;" "The Neurological Consequences of Aging;" and "Geriatric Nutrition."

The last major program of the conference will be held at 11:15 a.m. when Dr. Clyde Jensen, president of the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine, will present a program entitled "The Miracle of Life."

Panel participants include various staff members from Marshall University and representatives from West Virginia University, the Indiana University School of Nursing, the West Virginia Department of Human Services, the Charleston area Social Security Office, the University of Charleston, the West Virginia Commission on Aging, the Dairy and Nutrition Council and the Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church of Huntington.

The Marshall University School of Medicine has certified the program for eight credit hours in category one of the Physicians Recognition Award of the American Medical Association.

The program also is approved for continuing education units, nursing continuing education units, seven continuing education hours for West Virginia Home Administrators and home economics inservice credit.

To register for the seminar or obtain more information, contact the Marshall University Department of Home Economics at 696-2386 or 696-2356.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- The Marshall University Affirmative Action Advisory Committee and the Huntington Human Relations Commission will conduct a conference entitled "Affirmative Action and Equal Employment Opportunity: Two Concepts, One Objective" Thursday, Oct. 31, in the Marshall University Memorial Student Center.

In addition to the conference, a special workshop designed for those involved in higher education will be held Wednesday, Oct. 30, from 1 to 3 p.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2E11.

The conference and workshop are designed to help educate employers and the general public about their rights and responsibilities under civil rights laws and inform them about some specific forms of employment discrimination.

Activities on Thursday will include sessions on handicap, sex, race and age discrimination and the history of Affirmative Action and its application in the work force today. The effects of court decisions and recent Equal Employment Opportunity legislation also will be discussed.

Bruce Bagin, chief of investigations for the Pittsburgh area office of the U. S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission will present the Wednesday program and will be one of the main conference participants on Thursday.

Franklin D. Cleckley, professor of law at West Virginia University, will be the keynote speaker for the conference.

Additional details may be obtained from Cheryl Lynne Connelly, acting affirmative action officer at Marshall University, 696-2311.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- The Marshall University School of Nursing is sponsoring a workshop on "Critical Care Advanced Concepts" on Tuesday and Wednesday, Oct. 29-30, at the Gateway Holiday Inn on U.S. 60 east of Huntington.

The two-day course has been designed for health care professionals, particularly nurses who are working in critical care settings.

Geared for the experienced clinician, the program content will focus on selected cardiovascular and pulmonary topics and will cover the shock process, cardiovascular assessment techniques, pulmonary status, acute respiratory failure and chest x-rays.

Instructors for the workshop are Karen Ann Bray, director of critical care nursing at Washington Hospital, Washington, Pa., and proprietor of Nursing Resource Associates, a private nursing education and consulting firm; Anne Solomon, director of staff development at Washington Hospital and a partner in Nursing Resource Associates, and Thomas C. Hon, a certified pulmonary function technologist and director of clinical education at the School of Respiratory Care, Western Pennsylvania Hospital, Pittsburgh.

Participants will receive 15.6 contact hours or 1.6 continuing education units, approved by the West Virginia Nursing Association and accepted by the Kentucky Board of Nursing.

Registration information may be obtained from the Marshall University School of Nursing, 696-6750.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- Marshall University graduate student Terriann Crisp has successfully defended her doctoral dissertation, making her the first MU student to earn a Ph.D. degree through Marshall's biomedical sciences graduate program.

The program is a cooperative effort of Marshall and West Virginia University, which actually grants the diploma.

Ms. Crisp, who becomes the first to earn the Ph.D. degree through any Marshall program, began her work in 1982. During her graduate work, first at the University of Texas at Dallas and then at Marshall, she co-authored 10 scientific publications and 10 abstracts. She also received a second-place award for her presentation at the Eastern Student Research Forum in 1983.

Her doctoral research looked at the role of a specific chemical transmitter in the brain -- serotonin -- and how it is controlled by various regulatory mechanisms, according to Dr. Gary O. Rankin, interim chairman of pharmacology, who was Ms. Crisp's advisor during her final year.

Ms. Crisp has begun postdoctoral training with Dr. David Smith at the WVU Medical Center, studying the role of serotonin in pain perception.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- The Marshall University College of Education, in cooperation with the Appalachia Educational Laboratory (AEL) and Tri-State county school systems, will hold the first meeting for the organization of the Center for Policy Studies in Rural Education this Wednesday, Oct. 30, in the university's Memorial Student Center.

The Center for Policy Studies in Rural Education will focus on excellence in education in rural schools, according to Dr. Allen A. Mori, dean of the MU College of Education, and will work to develop programs that will improve the quality of the whole school environment.

"For this first meeting we have invited the superintendents from all of the school systems in our region in West Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky," explained Dr. Mori. "We have had very good response and our hope is that this group will form the board of advisors for the center."

The idea for the center emerged from a program Marshall has already established in Mingo County. The university and the AEL recently joined forces with the Mingo County school system to improve the quality of education in schools there.

"The Appalachia Educational Laboratory has developed a "Profile of School Excellence" that we can use to determine the effectiveness of a school. We then use the information obtained from the profile to develop programs to improve the school," said Mori.

The university already has discussed the possibility of expanding the program to two other counties, but Dr. Mori said he believes the program is beneficial enough to broaden its scope and, through the center, make a substantial impact on the quality of rural education throughout the region.

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"I envision the center having a positive effect on school practices throughout the region and developing a data base on practices in rural school districts," Dr. Mori said. "We want to be a major presence in these counties to assist them in their pursuit of excellence."

"This must be a true collaborative effort between the university and the school systems in order to work and with the success we hope to have in Mingo and the input from elsewhere, I believe the center will work," he said.

Mori pointed out that rural schools face many problems that are unique to them. "The rural schools tend to be older and often don't have the same facilities as the urban schools. The students have to travel long distances to get to the schools, the staffs are smaller and they usually don't have as many programs or course offerings," he said.

These systems face problems that other schools don't have to deal with," said Mori. "The Center for Policy Studies in Rural Education will be able to bring together the resources that can help alleviate the problems and improve the quality of education in these rural schools."

The day-long meeting will begin with registration at 9:30 a.m. and feature presentations by Dr. Mori; Dr. Ermel Stepp, associate professor of educational administration at Marshall; Dr. Robert Frum, superintendent of Cabell County schools; Allan J. Osborne, superintendent of Frankfort, Ky, city schools; Dr. Jack Sanders of the Appalachia Educational Laboratory; Robert J. Brewster, assistant superintendent of Cabell County; Dr. Nell Bailey, vice president/dean for student affairs at MU; and Dr. William Kernan, assistant professor of English at Marshall.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Work is scheduled to begin today (Tuesday, October 29) on resurfacing of the Memorial Student Center Plaza at Marshall University. The project is expected to take between three and four weeks, according to Harry E. Long, MU director of plant operations.

In addition to the resurfacing work, pipes, valves and the pump for Memorial Fountain, located on the plaza, will be replaced, Long said.

Much of the surface of the plaza is composed of an aggregate material which has deteriorated during recent severe winters, Long said. The new surface will be composed of a poly-acrylic material.

Childers Construction Co. of Huntington is the contractor for the \$63,366 project, Long said.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- The Marshall University debate team took second place at the Rose Bowl Tournament at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, last weekend.

Annette Chapman, a senior from Parkersburg, and Marc Midkiff, a Huntington freshman, won eight consecutive debates before losing a 2-1 decision in the final round to the University of Tennessee.

A second Marshall team consisting of Kerri McDaniel, a sophomore from Huntington, and Emily Stewart, a freshman from Huntington, finished fifth in the tournament.

Thirty teams from 13 schools competed in the tournament arguing on the topic "Resolved: That government restrictions on the coverage of terrorist activity by United States media are justified."

Three members of the individual events team also won awards at the tournament. Monica Bever, a Parkersburg junior, won fifth place in extemporaneous speaking. Barbara Brandt, a junior from Huntington, won sixth place in prose interpretation. Brandt and Andy Eddy, a Parkersburg senior, finished fifth in dramatic duo.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- "Clover: The Second Season," an exhibition of objects recovered from Clover, an archaeological site located along the Ohio River about 20 miles from Huntington, will be on display in the Birke Art Gallery at Marshall University Nov. 1 - 14.

The Marshall University Archaeological Field School has been working on the site for the past two summers. "The site has been known for well over 50 years, but it wasn't until 1984 that the first scientifically controlled excavations began," said Dr. Nicholas Freidin, assistant professor of sociology and anthropology at Marshall.

Clover belongs to the Fort Ancient culture which dominated the Ohio River Valley from A.D. 1000 to A.D. 1600, Freidin explained. Fort Ancient is an archaeological construct characterized by river communities that engaged in horticulture and a shared material inventory of pottery vessels, tools and weapons made from stone, bone and shell and miscellaneous but distinctive decorative items.

Several skeletons have been exhumed at the site and at least two will be included in the exhibit along with a variety of tools, adornments and other artifacts. "Twanna," a young Indian girl, will be exhibited along with "Jim," a 17th century American Indian.

"Twanna was a 12-year-old girl who was buried with her head pointing toward the east, a common practice at the Clover site," said Freidin. "She wore a necklace of shell pendants and beads arranged in a sunburst pattern and a bracelet of shell beads around each wrist. We also found a minute fragment of copper, probably the remnant of a bead, under her left ear.

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"Jim was over 25 years old and stood about 5 feet 5 inches tall. He was placed with his head pointing toward the north and was buried without grave-goods," noted Dr. Freidin.

The Department of Sociology and Anthropology at Marshall has been actively involved in the archaeology of the western section of West Virginia for more than 10 years and has conducted excavations on numerous sites. The Clover site formed the cornerstone of the Archaeological Field School which is embarking on a long-term research program centered on the site.

"The primary aim of the MU Archaeology Field School is to expose students to the practical side of archaeology and to teach the essential techniques of archaeological surveying and excavation, but it also strives to promote awareness of our archaeological heritage," said Freidin.

"The exhibit is interesting and informative and reveals a lot about the earliest settlements in the area," Freidin pointed out. "I am sure anyone interested in history or archaeology will enjoy the exhibit, but it can be enjoyed by others as well."

The Birke Art Gallery is open free of charge daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m., Monday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m., and other evenings in conjunction with events in Smith Recital Hall.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Marshall University will honor outstanding black high school students from throughout the Tri-State region on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 8-9.

The students and their parents have been invited to attend a special recognition dinner at 8 p.m. Friday evening in the Memorial Student Center where the students will be recognized for their accomplishments by Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke and university faculty and staff members.

There will be a dance in honor of the students after the dinner and they will be able to spend the night on the campus.

After breakfast Saturday, the students and their parents will tour the campus and Huntington community and will be the university's guests for "lunch-under-the-tent" before they attend the Thundering Herd's football game against East Tennessee State.

"This is an opportunity for us to recognize and demonstrate our appreciation for these students and the individual talents they possess," said Dr. Nitzschke. "We are looking forward to their visit to Marshall University."

The students have been selected by their principals and teachers on the basis of their grade point averages, school leadership and future potential.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- The Marshall University School of Medicine is accepting new children into its expanded "P.E.P." exercise program for overweight children, according to Dr. Colette Gushurst, director of the children's obesity clinic.

"We've moved the exercise sessions to the Henderson Center, which has more room and better facilities for the children -- it has exercise bikes, treadmills, the track, and even the swimming pool," she said. "We've also teamed up on the activities angle with the Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation.

"We hope to show the children that activity isn't just good for you -- it's fun, too," Dr. Gushurst said.

P.E.P -- Pediatric Exercise Program -- is open to any overweight child age 5 to 18. The fitness sessions, with aerobic workouts and sports activities, are supplemented by special board games and counseling which help children learn about diet and nutrition. The program also stresses involvement and support by the children's parents.

"Our goal is not to get these kids to 'lose, lose, lose,'" Dr. Gushurst said. "We're aiming toward changing lifestyle habits -- for example, watching less TV, taking the stairs instead of the elevator, and eating healthier foods. We work out individual dietary guidelines for each child, with a goal of very slow weight loss. For children who are growing and not extremely overweight, sometimes all they need to do is hold their weight steady."

Fitness sessions meet on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons, from 4 to 5 p.m. Monday and Friday and from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Wednesday. The longer Wednesday session includes nutritional education and counseling.

After an initial physical examination, which costs \$30, the program costs \$15 per month.

"We keep the cost low because we want the children to be able to stay with the program on a long-term basis -- even as long as a year or two," Dr. Gushurst said.

More information about the program is available from Dr. Gushurst at 526-0670 or pediatric nurse-practitioner Mary Lou Kelly at 526-0603.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Vladimir Sakharov, a Soviet-trained diplomat whose disillusionment with the KGB led him to become an agent for the United States, will be a guest lecturer at Marshall University Tuesday, Nov. 5, at 8 p.m. in the W. Don Morris Room in the Memorial Student Center.

Now an American citizen, Sakharov lectures on international relations and his experiences as a Soviet diplomat and intelligence agent for both the Soviet Union and the United States.

He is the author of a book, "High Treason," and numerous articles on the Soviet Union and intelligence operations. He currently works for a Los Angeles-based organization that specializes in foreign risk management.

Sakharov's presentation, sponsored by the Contemporary Issues Committee of the Marshall Student Activities Board, is open to the public.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- West Virginia State Senator Jae Spears of Elkins, chairwoman of the Senate Finance Committee, will visit Marshall University Thursday, Nov. 7, for meetings with the Marshall President's Cabinet and Huntington area community leaders.

Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke said Sen. Spears will meet with the President's Cabinet at 11 a.m., then will attend a luncheon with community leaders at noon. At 1:15 p.m., she will meet with representatives of the area's news media. All sessions will be held in Marshall's Memorial Student Center.

Sen. Spears' visit is the eighth in a series of meetings arranged by Nitzschke with key members of the legislative and executive branches of state government.

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November 4, 1985

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- "We have every intention of making the Marshall University teacher education program the best in the state and region, and one of the best in the country," Dr. Allen A. Mori, dean of the MU College of Education, said today as he announced the formation of a "blue-ribbon" commission to study the university's undergraduate teacher education program.

The purpose of the commission is to examine teacher education as it is evolving throughout the country and look at what constitutes good sound practice in teacher education, then use the information to look at the Marshall University undergraduate teacher education program.

"We know, through various evaluations, that we are doing a lot of things right," Mori said, "but we want to be the program that effects change, not one that is affected by change."

The commission, which will hold its first meeting Nov. 11, is comprised of representatives from several departments within the university, people from educational organizations, community leaders and a student representative.

Mori stressed that the commission is going to be a working body and probably will meet two times each month. He said one of the first things the group will do will be to call in a series of experts in the teacher education field from across the country.

"We plan to bring in several acknowledged professionals in education to help us begin our work," Mori said. "For example, we will bring in an expert in innovative educational techniques who will explain what new programs are developing and what innovations might be developing in the future, and we will bring in a person who has made a study of the problems entry level teachers have in their first year or two on the job. This is going to be an extensive undertaking."

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Mori also noted that the commission will receive whatever support it needs from the College of Education, including staff and clerical help and research assistance.

The first set of recommendations from the commission may be ready by the end of the spring semester, but the commission's work probably will not be completed for another year or possibly two years, according to Mori.

"We will do whatever is necessary to make our program the best it can be. This commission is just the first step in that process," explained Mori.

Seven members of the commission will come from various divisions within the Marshall College of Education. They are: Dr. Robert Angel, Dr. Carl Johnson, Dr. David Koontz, Dr. Kathryn Wright, Dr. Yvonne Shoemaker, Dr. Sallie Plymale and Dr. Wayne Taylor.

Dr. John McKernan and Dr. Robert Sawrey will represent the MU College of Liberal Arts. Dr. Donald A. Williams will represent the College of Fine Arts and Dr. Nicola Orsini will represent the College of Science.

Commission members from the area's public school system include Jim Douglas, Charles Barnett, Freda Chadwick, Jon Walton, Sylvia Ridgeway and Lynn Wood.

Community representatives will include Natalie Schneiderman, Brandt Ross, and Diane Mufson. Dr. Jane Hange will represent the Appalachia Educational Laboratory and Bill Long will represent the West Virginia Education Association. Erin Maloy, a teacher education major at Marshall, will serve as the student representative.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. --If you have ever dreamed about traveling to exotic far-away places, but haven't been able to because of the cost, physical ailments, political turmoil or some other reason, Marshall University may be the "travel agent" for you.

Residents of the Tri-State region may be passing up an opportunity to make those trips to Rome, the Orient or the Soviet Union, according to Judy Assad, coordinator of international students at Marshall and president of the executive committee of the Marshall Council for International Education.

"Even if residents can't afford to actually travel to foreign countries, the University offers a boundless opportunity to travel the world through the classroom and special programs that feature scholars and personalities from abroad as guest lecturers," Assad said.

The university is offering more than 40 such courses during the upcoming spring semester which begins in January.

The courses range from "The Geography of Mexico" to "England Since 1642" and from "Great Civilizations" to "The World and the West."

"These courses are good for people who can't travel, but still want to learn about other cultures and places," noted Assad. "They also are excellent for those who may be planning a trip overseas in the future."

The courses cover everything from a country's history and political situation to its geography and art.

Assad pointed out that the university also offers a variety of language courses that teach people how to speak a foreign language.

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"It is particularly enlightening when we have guests from other countries who can talk about their experiences. We sponsor several of these programs each year and many times one of our international students will be in a class that is about their home country, which makes the course more beneficial because the student can speak from experience," Assad explained.

"Even if someone doesn't want to travel, these courses are good to take just for personal enrichment and they'll help get your mind off the cold winter weather," she said.

Additional details about the international courses and programs offered at Marshall may be obtained by calling the International Students Office, 696-2379.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- "Focus on Fitness" will be the theme for a series of activities scheduled on the campus of Marshall University Monday through Thursday, Nov 11-14.

The activities have been designed to raise the public's awareness about good health practices, according to Bonnie Trisler, coordinator of student health and education programs at Marshall.

"We have arranged several workshops on health problems, but also plan to have some fun during the programs," Trisler said.

Activities will begin with the second annual Marshall University Health Fair on Monday, Nov. 11, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center.

"The fair will be fun and educational," said Trisler. "It will feature information on health, fitness and nutrition, exercise tests and tests to measure percentages of body fat. Several health and fitness experts will be involved in the program along with representatives of the American Heart Association and the American Lung Association."

On Tuesday from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2W37, there will be a seminar on "The Human Touch" which will include a discussion on how to find a good masseuse and how to give a massage.

Billie Jo Van Nostrum of the Huntington YMCA will be the instructor for the seminar which will feature a "hands-on" session where participants and their partners can practice what they learn about massage and techniques to help relieve tension.

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"Fraud and Quackery" will be explored on Wednesday from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2W22. Dr. Steve Cody and Dr. Joe Wyatt of the Marshall Psychology Department will explain how some frauds operate and how to spot them.

The activities will end Thursday with a session entitled "Food and Obsession: Eating Disorders" from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the MU Women's Center, Prichard Hall Room 143.

Chris DeVos of the Marshall Counseling Center will discuss anorexia, bulimia and compulsive overeating. Various types of eating problems, symptoms, causes and recovery will be discussed.

"Bulimia will be especially emphasized in this session," Trisler said, "because figures indicate that 25 percent of all college women experiment with some type of binge/purge behavior."

All activities will be open to the public, according to Trisler. Additional details may be obtained from the Marshall University Office of Student Health and Education Programs, 696-2324.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- William F. Agee, a Huntington bank officer, has been re-elected president of the Marshall University Foundation for a one-year term, the Foundation's executive director, Keith L. Scott, announced today. Two other Huntington men, insurance executive William C. Campbell and attorney Noel P. Copen, were re-elected first vice president and second vice president, respectively.

Officers were elected by the Board of Directors, following the recent annual meeting of the Foundation, Dr. Scott said. Under the organization's by-laws, Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke serves as secretary and MU Vice President for Financial Affairs Harry E. Neel, Jr. is treasurer.

The Foundation solicits, receives and administers private gifts in behalf of the university.

The Board of Directors also formally appointed Scott as executive director and Becky Shaw as manager of the Foundation. Scott is vice president for institutional advancement at Marshall and Ms. Shaw is director of the annual giving program.

Elected to a three-year term as a member of the Foundation was David Amsbary. Re-elected were John C. Chafin, James F. Edwards, A. Michael Perry, Marshall T. Reynolds, Ann L. Speer and Everett R. Thompson.

Re-elected to membership on the Board of Directors were William G. Powers, Agee, Permele Booth, Philip E. Cline, Albert C. Esposito, Hugh D. Stillman and Harry Wolfe, Jr.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va -- Two Marshall University students attended the Second National Conference for College Women Student Leaders and Women of Achievement held last weekend, Nov 1-3, in Washington, D.C.

Roberta Wranitz, a junior accounting major from Martinsburg, W. Va., and Gwen Johnson, a sophomore broadcasting major from Hinton, W. Va., represented Marshall at the conference.

"Preparing for Tomorrow Through a Better Understanding of Today: Designing Our Own Future" was the theme for the weekend which featured a number of distinguished speakers and honored outstanding women from throughout the country.

The two MU students, both currently serving as resident advisors in the university's dormitories, were accompanied to the conference by Linda Olesen, assistant director of career planning and placement at Marshall.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Marshall University's Memorial Student Center will serve as a collection point for emergency supplies to be sent to flood-stricken areas of West Virginia, MU President Dale F. Nitzschke announced today.

"This effort is being undertaken in cooperation with the local unit of the Salvation Army," Nitzschke said. "We are hoping that members of the Marshall community, as well as other concerned citizens, will take advantage of this opportunity to help their fellow West Virginians recover from these disastrous floods."

Nitzschke said Marshall Auxiliary Services Director Ray Welty had volunteered to coordinate the campus effort to assist flood victims.

Welty said emergency relief items may be brought to the main desk in the lobby of Memorial Student Center from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily. The supplies then will be turned over to the Salvation Army for distribution in the flood areas.

"Many of our students come from areas which have been flooded," Welty said, "and we believe everyone in the Marshall community will want to do everything possible to assist the families of those students, as well as other flood victims. This is one way in which we can help."

He said the Salvation Army had recommended canned goods, cleaning supplies, flashlights and batteries, blankets, kerosene heaters, commercially-bottled water and battery-operated radios as the most useful emergency supplies which might be contributed at this time.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Dr. Paul W. Whear, professor of music at Marshall University, has been selected as an American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) Award recipient for the 20th consecutive year.

Granted annually by an independent panel, the cash awards are based on the "unique prestige value of each writer's catalog and the performances of his compositions," according to ASCAP President Hal David.

Whear has won numerous national awards for his work and has received several commissions to create works for special events.

His compositions have been performed and recorded by professional and collegiate organizations throughout the United States and several foreign countries. They include works for orchestra, opera, various chamber ensembles, chorus, instrumental solos and band. Whear also has been a guest conductor for some of the world's famous orchestras.

A member of the MU faculty since 1969, Whear earned his doctorate at Case Western Reserve University and has studied at Boston University, the Eastman School of Music and with composer Wilfred Josephs in London, among others. He is co-founder and conductor of the Huntington Chamber Orchestra.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- A limited number of graduate tuition waivers for Marshall University's Spring Term will be available, MU Graduate School Dean Robert F. Maddox announced today.

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, Dr. Maddox said.

A small number of waivers will be awarded to nonresident students. Academic merit will be the major consideration in awarding the waivers, according to Maddox. If students are interested in being considered under financial need, they should see Ed Miller, student financial aid director.

The forms for graduate tuition waivers are available from the Graduate School and will be accepted in the Graduate School Office through December 16.

The waivers cover tuition, registration, Higher Education Resources and Faculty Improvement fees, but not the Student Activity Fee which must be paid by the recipient, Maddox said. Students who held fall-term waivers must reapply to be considered.

Professional tuition waiver forms may be obtained from the School of Medicine Dean's Office in the Medical Education Building at the VA Medical Center. They are to be returned to that same office for processing.

The Graduate Degree Scholarship Program is authorized under West Virginia law and provisions of the BOR Policy Bulletin 49.

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Note to Editors, News Directors:

Enclosed, for your information, is a copy of a letter which has been sent to the Federal Aviation Administration's Eastern Region director.

C. T. Mitchell

C.T. Mitchell, Director
Office of University Relations



MARSHALL UNIVERSITY

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

November 12, 1985

Mr. Joseph M. Del Balzo
Director, Eastern Region
Federal Aviation Administration
Federal Building
John F. Kennedy Airport
Jamaica, New York 11430

Dear Mr. Del Balzo:

This Thursday, November 14, the Marshall University campus will be the scene of a solemn memorial service. The ceremony will mark the 15th anniversary of an airplane crash near Tri-State Airport which claimed 75 lives, including most members of the Marshall University football team, the coaching staff and a number of team supporters.

A few days ago, on the night of November 2, another Marshall football team had a frightening experience when the pilot of the team's plane had to abort his first landing attempt as a result of the fact the Tri-State Airport Tower was closed for the night.

The latest incident will be weighing heavily on our minds at the memorial services this Thursday. Despite the many improvements which have been made during the last 15 years, the reduction of service in the tower operation provides the potential for another disaster.

We at Marshall University strongly urge that you act to restore the tower at Tri-State Airport to full operation.

Sincerely,

Dale F. Nitzschke
President

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cc: West, Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky Congressional Delegations
Governor Arch A. Moore, Jr.
Mr. James E. Casto
Mr. Larry Salyers
Mr. David Braine
Mr. Stephen G. Roberts

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November 15, 1985

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- West Virginia State Senator Ralph D. Williams of Rainelle, chairman of the Senate Education Committee, will visit Marshall University Thursday, Nov. 21, for meetings with the Marshall President's Cabinet and Huntington area community leaders.

Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke said Williams will meet with the President's Cabinet at 11 a.m., then will attend a luncheon with community leaders at noon. At 1:15 p.m. he will meet with representatives of the area's news media. All sessions will be held in Marshall's Memorial Student Center.

Williams' visit is the tenth in a series of meetings arranged by Nitzschke with key members of the legislative and executive branches of state government.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- The Marshall University Department of Mining, Occupational and Transportation Safety will sponsor a one-day symposium concerning the impact of new hazard communications standards on industry on Tuesday, Nov. 19, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Shawkey Room in Marshall's Memorial Student Center.

The new regulations set specific standards and procedures that industries must follow to inform employees and communities about what materials they will be working with or producing, what effects the substances might have on them and what their emergency plans are in case of an accident.

The symposium, which is being co-sponsored by the Mountaineer Section of the American Industrial Hygiene Association, will cover the activities federal and state inspectors will be reviewing on properties and the methods they will use to determine compliance with the regulations, according to George Parker, assistant professor of mining, occupational and transportation safety at Marshall.

Discussions will center on the effects of the regulations which begin Nov. 25, as well as the implementation of others that will be required by next spring.

Guest speakers will include representatives of the United States Department of Labor, OSHA, the West Virginia State Department of Health, and the West Virginia State Commission of Labor.

There will be a fee for the symposium. Registration information may be obtained by contacting the Marshall University Department of Mining, Occupational and Transportation Safety at 696-2380 or 696-4664.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- The Marshall University School of Nursing and the MU Placement Center will sponsor the university's ninth annual Nurse Recruitment Fair on Tuesday, Nov. 19, from noon to 4:30 p.m. in the W. Don Morris Room in Marshall's Memorial Student Center.

The fair is designed to provide a setting for representatives of health care facilities to meet with employed nurses in the area, nursing undergraduates and graduates to discuss employment opportunities, application procedures and related matters, according to Reginald A. Spencer, director of career planning and placement at Marshall.

According to Spencer, 15 health related agencies from West Virginia, Virginia, Kentucky and North Carolina have signed up to attend the fair. He said he also expects several other agencies to attend.

Further details about the Nurse Recruitment Fair may be obtained by calling the Marshall Career Planning and Placement Center, 696-2370.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Dr. William Van Till, a noted author and lecturer, will present workshops on "Breaking Into Print" and "Getting a Book Published" at Marshall University on Thursday and Friday, Nov. 21-22.

Both workshops, sponsored by the Marshall University College of Education, will begin at 9 a.m. and will be held in the Alumni Lounge in Marshall's Memorial Student Center.

The public is invited to attend the major presentations of the workshops, according to Dr. Allen A. Mori, dean of the College of Education, but afternoon sessions will be closed to the public.

Van Till will use the afternoon sessions for individual meetings with people who have manuscripts ready to be published. Mori said these sessions will be limited to 20 participants which will be filled by Marshall faculty and staff members.

"I would encourage anyone who is interested in having their work published to attend the morning sessions of the workshops," Mori said.

The public portion of the first workshop, "Breaking Into Print," will end at noon Thursday and the Friday workshop, "Getting a Book Published," will end at approximately 10:45 a.m.

Van Till received his B.A. and M.A. degrees from Columbia University and his Ph.D. from Ohio State University. He has taught at several universities and has been involved in higher education activities on all levels.

He has published numerous books on a variety of subjects, including "Writing for Professional Publications," and has written more than 170 articles, reviews and editorials in educational journals and other periodicals.

Further details about the workshops may be obtained by calling the College of Education, 696-3132.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- The Marshall University Psychology Clinic will offer weekly group counseling sessions for pregnant teenagers on Tuesdays from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Room 450 Harris Hall on the MU campus beginning Tuesday, Nov. 26.

The sessions will focus on the psychological well-being of the teenage mother in relation to pressures and problems with family and friends, according to Dr. Donald D. Chezik, chairman of the Marshall Psychology Department.

Discussions also will be held concerning anxieties of motherhood, life with the baby, the importance of education, goals and future plans, risk factors and other topics of concern to pregnant teenagers.

Patty Perdue and Denise Harris, both graduate student teaching assistants in the MU Psychology Department, will serve as counselors for the clinic.

There will be no charge for the sessions which are open to all area teenagers. To obtain further information contact the Marshall Psychology Department, 696-6446.

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For more information call Beverly McCoy, 696-6453

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- A medical conference focusing on anxiety and how it affects the heart will be offered for physicians and other health professionals Saturday, Nov. 23, at the Marshall University Student Center.

"This program will help health professionals recognize some of the very indirect ways that anxiety disorders show up in patients," said Dr. Ernest Chick, director of continuing medical education at Marshall. "These disorders are quite common, but they are often unrecognized and therefore not treated."

Sponsored by the School of Medicine, the continuing medical education conference will meet from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Guest speakers include Dr. Charles F. Wooley, director of the Overstreet Cardiovascular Teaching and Research Laboratory at Ohio State University; Dr. James Jefferson, professor of psychiatry at the University of Wisconsin; and Dr. Michael J. Shea, assistant professor of internal medicine at the University of Michigan Medical Center.

Marshall faculty on the program are Dr. Prathap G. Chandran, associate professor of internal medicine; Dr. Robert B. Walker, associate professor of family and community health; Dr. Dan Wedding, associate professor of psychiatry; and Dr. R. Allen Kayser, assistant professor of psychiatry.

Participants will earn continuing education credit.

The registration fee of \$25 includes lunch and all course materials. Resident physicians and medical students may attend the conference free.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Dr. Wesley L. Shanholtzer, professor of physics and physical science at Marshall University, has been selected as the new chairman of the university's Department of Physics and Physical Science, according to College of Science Dean E. S. Hanrahan.

Shanholtzer, who has taught at Marshall since 1966, received his B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from West Virginia University. He is a member of the American Association of Physics Teachers and has specialized in solid state physics and medical physics.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- Marshall University's parking office has announced it is "out for blood" from parking violators.

The situation is not as serious as it sounds, however, according to Bonnie J. Lytle, head of the Parking Office.

"Actually, what we want to do is encourage participation in the Red Cross blood drive being held on campus Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 20-21," Ms. Lytle said. "In an effort to do this, we will excuse one university parking citation for anyone who donates a pint of blood during the campus blood drive."

Lytle explained that non-transferable receipts will be given to people who donate blood. The receipts can be taken to the MU parking office by Friday (Nov. 22), along with the parking citation or the vehicle license number and date the parking ticket was issued, and the citation will be dismissed.

The Red Cross blood drive will be held on the Marshall campus Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 20-21, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day in the W. Don Morris Room in Memorial Student Center.

"We're really out for blood this time," Ms. Lytle said.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- U.S. Senator John D. Rockefeller IV will meet with student leaders at Marshall University Monday, Nov. 25, in Memorial Student Center, following an address before the Huntington Rotary Club, the senator's office has announced.

The Rotary Club luncheon meeting is scheduled at noon in the Student Center's Morris Room. Senator Rockefeller's address will deal principally with issues currently affecting higher education, both in West Virginia and throughout the country, according to a spokesman in the senator's office. A number of Marshall officials will attend.

The session with the students, which is expected to begin about 1:30 p.m., will have a question-and-answer format. It will be conducted in the Alumni Lounge of the Student Center.

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November 22, 1985

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- A Marshall University journalism major is one of four students elected nationally to serve on the board of directors of the Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi (SPJ, SDX).

Lorie A. Wyant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Wyant of 1521 Thomas St., Ironton, Ohio, was elected last week at the national SPJ, SDX convention in Phoenix, Ariz. She will serve District A, 14 northeastern and midwestern states, as campus board representative.

Wyant, a senior, also is president of the Marshall University student chapter of SPJ, SDX, a national organization that promotes high ethical standards and freedom of information. It is the largest and most representative organization serving the field of journalism with more than 24,000 professional and campus members.

Wyant, a broadcast journalism major, is scheduled to graduate in May 1986.

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November 22, 1985

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Two additional major state officials have accepted invitations to visit Marshall University in December, MU President Dale F. Nitzschke announced today.

Robert E. Trocin, State Department of Commerce commissioner, will be here Thursday, December 12, and Lysander L. Dudley Sr., director of industrial development, will be the university's guest on Thursday, December 19, Nitzschke said.

Their visits will include sessions with the President's Cabinet, beginning at 11 a.m., and a luncheon with community leaders and Marshall officials at noon. Beginning about 1:15 p.m., they will be available for interviews with representatives of the area's news media.

The visits of Trocin and Dudley will be the 12th and 13th in a series Nitzschke launched in September to bring high-ranking members of the legislative and executive branches of state government to the Marshall campus for exchanges of information and views. House of Delegates Judiciary Committee Chairman Robert "Chuck" Chambers will be the next visitor, December 5.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- West Virginia House of Delegates member Robert Chambers of Huntington, chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, will visit Marshall University Thursday, Dec. 5, for meetings with the Marshall President's Cabinet and Huntington area community leaders.

Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke said Chambers will meet with the President's Cabinet at 11 a.m., then will attend a luncheon with community leaders at noon. At 1:15 p.m. he will meet with representatives of the area's news media. All sessions will be held in Marshall's Memorial Student Center.

Chambers' visit is the 11th in a series of meetings arranged by Nitzschke with key members of the legislative and executive branches of state government.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- The Autism Training Center (ATC) at Marshall University will hold an open house in conjunction with national Autism Awareness Week on Tuesday, Dec. 3, from 4:30 to 8 p.m. in the ATC offices on the third floor of Old Main.

There will be a brief program at 5 p.m., according to Dr. Gabrielle du Verglas, ATC director, who has invited the public to attend the ceremonies and learn about the center's work.

The Board of Regents established the Autism Training Center at Marshall in 1984 to provide training, assistance and information to individuals with autism and to provide training to those who work with autistic persons throughout West Virginia.

The center serves individuals whose primary diagnosis is autism or those who display other related behavioral disorders--such as severe deficits in communication and delays in social or emotional development.

Autism is neurological developmental disability which typically appears during the first three years of age, and is characterized by deficits in communication and social skills, and by uneven or delayed rates of development in other areas.

Autism Awareness Week will be observed throughout the country Dec. 1-7.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Three Marshall University Community College instructors recently passed the Advanced Cardiac Life Support Instructor's Course which was sponsored in Huntington by the West Virginia affiliate of the American Heart Association, according to Sarah Denman, assistant dean of the Marshall Community College.

The three instructors were Jeffrey Carter, an emergency medical technician, paramedic and skills instructor at Marshall; Greg Kyle, an R.N. at Cabell-Huntington Hospital and clinical instructor at MU; and David Miller, a medical intensive care paramedic and part-time instructor at the Community College.

Denman said that this was the first course of its kind in West Virginia in which there was a 100 percent pass rate. Approximately 48 students participated in the course.

Two Marshall staff members, Mark King, coordinator of emergency medical technology, and Jim Marra, coordinator of the Marshall EMS squad, served as instructors for the program.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Dr. Bill Rutherford, senior research associate with the Research and Development Center for Teacher Education at the University of Texas, will conduct informal discussions on his research in the field of teacher education on Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec 3-4, in Marshall's Memorial Student Center.

A former classroom teacher, Rutherford is currently assistant chairman and associate professor of curriculum and instruction at the University of Texas. His research spans approximately 20 years and he has published dozens of articles and book chapters on teacher education, according to Dr. Corey Lock, associate professor of education at Marshall.

The first session on Tuesday, Dec. 3, will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2E10. The Wednesday session will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2W37.

The discussions are open to all interested persons and are being sponsored by the Marshall Commission for the Study of Undergraduate Teacher Education and the Appalachia Educational Laboratory. To obtain further details contact the Marshall University College of Education, 696-3132.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- "Humanities Foundation of West Virginia Grants" will be the title of a workshop designed to help people write grant proposals at Marshall University on Thursday, Dec. 5, at 1 p.m. in Room 2W37 in Memorial Student Center.

Charles Daugherty, executive director of the Humanities Foundation of West Virginia, will be the instructor for the workshop which will introduce participants to the Humanities Foundation grant program and recent changes in the grant program guidelines, and explore the details of writing a grant proposal and developing a budget.

Founded in 1973 as a state program of the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Humanities Foundation of West Virginia exists to support the humanities and to make funds available to non-profit groups and institutions for humanities programs.

The workshop, which is being sponsored by the Marshall University College of Liberal Arts, is open to the public free of charge. To obtain more information contact Robert Barnett, Marshall University grants officer, 696-6440.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W. Va -- The West Virginia Society of Certified Public Accountants, through its Accounting Education Foundation, has presented the Marshall University Accounting Department 105 copies of the Uniform Certified Public Accountant Examination, valued at more than \$350.

The presentation was made to William J. Radig, acting chairman of the MU Accounting Department, by Herbert G. Diamond Jr. of Huntington, a partner in the firm of Diamond, Sunderland & Co., CPAs.

Radig said the contribution would give Marshall accounting majors who plan to graduate this year the opportunity to prepare for their exams by reviewing copies of the May 1985 test and the unofficial answers.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- Dr. E. Harvey Estes, chief of the Division of Family Medicine at Duke University, will speak on "Socio-Economic Issues Facing Family Medicine" at Marshall University Thursday, Dec. 5.

His talk, at 7:30 p.m. in the Don Morris Room of the Memorial Student Center, will be the first W. Edwin Black lectureship of the MU School of Medicine.

He also will speak at 1 p.m. that afternoon on "The Family Physician as a Cardiologist" in the Doctors' Memorial Building Annex.

Both sessions are open to the public.

Estes led Duke's educational program in community and family medicine to national prominence in his 20 years as chairman of that department, according to Dr. Ernest Chick, director of continuing medical education at Marshall.

Estes is a past president of the Association of Teachers of Preventive Medicine, the North Carolina Heart Association and the Medical Society of North Carolina. He also has been chairman of the Steering Committee on Primary Care Study for the National Academy of Sciences and has served on the American Medical Association Council on Scientific Affairs and the North Carolina Commission on Prepaid Health Plans.

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December 2, 1985

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Higher education's role in West Virginia's economic development will be explored in a two-day workshop to be held at the Charleston House Holiday Inn in Charleston Thursday and Friday, Dec. 4-5.

The workshop will be conducted jointly by the Governor's Office of Community and Industrial Development and the West Virginia Board of Regents' Center for Education and Research with Industry (CERI), according to Dr. Robert F. Maddox, associate vice president for academic affairs at Marshall University. Maddox supervises the CERI program which Marshall operates in behalf of the Board of Regents.

Maddox said presidents of the state's higher education institutions have been invited to attend the workshop, along with their chief academic officers and CERI associates from the various campuses.

"The purpose is to provide an opportunity for exchange of ideas, to help determine potential benefits of a cooperative effort and to establish the role of higher education in economic and community development," Maddox said. "We believe we have available the resources and talent which, given proper direction, can have an enormous impact on West Virginia's economic development. Through this workshop, we hope to begin to take advantage of the opportunities which are open to us."

Panelists and individual speakers will cover such topics as "Government Agencies' and Higher Education's Roles in Economic Development," "Perspectives of Higher Education's Role in Economic Development," "Trends in Higher Education and Economic Development," "High Tech, Low Tech, Appropriate Tech," "Higher Education's Current Involvement in Economic Development" and "Future Directions."

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Participants in the various sessions will include Lysander Dudley, state director of industrial development; Regents' Chancellor Leon H. Ginsberg; Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke; Pat Graney III, Brenda N. Harper, Pat Keeler, Hughes Booher, Fred Cutlip and Eloise Jack, all of the Governor's Office of Community and Industrial Development; Legislators John "Si" Boettner, Mario J. Palumbo, Robert "Chuck" Chambers, Walter Rollins and James M. Casey; Maddox; Dr. David Powers, Regents' vice chancellor for academic affairs;

Dr. Don Darnton, Kanawha County CERI representative; Paul DeVore and Art Heim, heads of technology programs at West Virginia and Penn State universities, respectively; Byron Carpenter, director of Marshall's Center for Regional Progress; Dean Kenny of Concord College; Dr. William E. Griscom of Fairmont State College, and Dr. W. Donald Williams of Marshall.

The workshop will run from noon to 5 p.m. Thursday and 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday.

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December 5, 1985

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For more information call Beverly McCoy, 696-6453

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -- William P. Bristol, M.D., has been named associate dean for academic affairs for the Marshall School of Medicine, Dean Lester R. Bryant has announced.

Bristol is a professor of pediatrics at Mercer University School of Medicine, where he has also served as dean for four years. Currently he is on sabbatical leave, working on a master's degree in business administration at Mercer and continuing his medical practice. He will assume his full-time duties at Marshall Jan. 2.

"We are fortunate indeed to have attracted someone of Bill Bristol's qualifications and experience to Marshall," Dr. Bryant said. "In addition to his administrative experience, he has special expertise which will greatly benefit our school in the areas of rural health care and in the business aspects of medicine."

Bristol said the school's focus on primary care for rural areas strongly influenced his decision to come to Marshall. "I have had throughout my career a strong interest in rural health, and that was my primary reason for joining the faculty at Marshall," he said.

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Before going to Mercer in 1981, Bristol had held assistant dean posts at the University of North Dakota School of Medicine and at the Michigan State University College of Human Medicine. He also was coordinator for health care education for Medical Care Development, Inc., in Augusta, Maine, where he was program director for rural community health centers. While at North Dakota, he was associate chief of staff for education at the Fargo Veterans Administration Center.

He is a trustee of the American Rural Health Association, a fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics, and a member of the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine and the National Rural Health Care Association.

Bristol earned the M.D. degree from the University of Michigan Medical School in 1965, and served his internship and residencies at Bronson Methodist Hospital in Kalamazoo, Mich., and Denver (Colo.) Children's Hospital, where he was Resident of the Year in 1968.

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December 9, 1985

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Dr. Gabrielle du Verglas, director of the Autism Training Center at Marshall University, has been selected by the National Society for Children and Adults with Autism (NSAC) to represent the United States at an international conference on autism being held in Paris Dec. 11-13.

"Dr. du Verglas is an ideal representative," said Roy Morgan, executive director of NSAC, "especially when you consider her position as chairwoman of the NSAC International Committee."

The conference, which is attended by invitation only, will include a three-day scientific colloquium with approximately 150 research scientists and professionals who are internationally known for their work regarding the causes and treatment of autism.

The meetings will be followed by a one-day session open to the general public on Saturday, Dec. 14. The public session will disseminate summary information of the conference to a wider audience and will involve panel discussions on "Autism and Ethics" and "Education and/or Therapy," according to Dr. du Verglas.

The Board of Regents established the Autism Training Center at Marshall in 1984 to provide training to those who work with autistic persons throughout West Virginia.

Autism is neurological developmental disability which typically appears during the first three years of age, and is characterized by deficits in communication and social skills, and by uneven or delayed rates of development in other areas.

Dr. du Verglas received her bachelor's degree from The Evergreen State College and her master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Washington.

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She previously served as project coordinator of a study on the effects of the drug fenfluramine in the treatment of autism at the University of Washington and led a follow-up study of Down's Syndrome children and held various research and teaching positions.

She served as president of the Washington Chapter of the NSAC, is a member of the International Council of Psychologists, the Council for Exceptional children and the American Association of Mental Deficiency, as well as other professional organizations.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- William W. Thomas of Huntington, a retired industrial executive and former faculty member in Marshall University's Community College, has been appointed director of the West Virginia Board of Regents' Center for Education and Research with Industry (CERI).

Announcement of the appointment was made today by Dr. Robert F. Maddox, Marshall's associate vice president for academic affairs and dean of the Graduate School. Marshall operates the statewide education/economic development program in behalf of the Board of Regents.

Thomas retired as general superintendent of Huntington Alloys Inc. in 1979 after 39 years with the company. He became a full-time faculty member at Marshall that year, having served two years as a part-time instructor in the Community College. He served as coordinator of the college's Industrial Supervision and Management program and retired as an assistant professor in 1984.

A World War II U.S. Marine Corps veteran, Thomas earned his B.S. degree in chemistry from Marshall in 1951. He received his Master of Science degree in vocational education from Marshall in 1982 and has been admitted to a doctoral degree program at West Virginia University.

"I am pleased that an individual with Mr. Thomas' outstanding credentials in both industry and education has agreed to undertake this challenging assignment," Maddox said. "Both of us are excited about CERI's potential impact in efforts to improve West Virginia's economic development."

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CERI was established by the Board of Regents to encourage and coordinate efforts of the state's public colleges and universities in contributing to the long-term economic development of the state. Marshall was asked to assume responsibility for the operation last summer and the program was transferred to Huntington.

As part of his responsibilities, Thomas will organize and coordinate a network of "CERI associates" at each of the participating institutions of higher education and will establish cooperative relationships with various economic development organizations in the state.

He also is to develop and implement a statewide technical and research assistance program using the faculty and staff resources of the colleges and universities. Emphasis is to be placed upon direct provision of faculty expertise to specific problems, basic and applied research, and employee and management training needs.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Dr. Daniel P. Babb, professor of chemistry at Marshall University, has been named assistant dean of the university's College of Science, according to Dr. E. S. Hanrahan, dean of the college.

A Marshall faculty member since 1972, Dr. Babb received his B.A. degree from Mankato State College, Mankato, Minn., and his Ph.D. from the University of Idaho.

He previously taught at Kearney State College, the University of Idaho and Virginia Polytechnic University, and served as a research scientist at the Inorganic Chemistry Institute at the University of Gottingen, Gottingen, Germany, and the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Babb has received several fellowships and grants and has published numerous articles in scientific journals.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Dr. Allen A. Mori, dean of the Marshall University College of Education, is the co-author of a new textbook dealing with teaching mildly handicapped junior and senior high school students.

The book, "Teaching Secondary Students with Mild Learning and Behavior Problems: Methods, Materials, Strategies," was published by Aspen Systems Corporation, Rockville, Md., and was co-authored by Dr. Lowell F. Masters, coordinator of special education services for the Clark County School District, Las Vegas, Nev.

The text, Mori's sixth, was designed as an instructional resource for those who have accepted the challenge of educating mildly handicapped students, Mori said.

It covers learning strategies, compensatory instruction, vocational preparation, tutorial methods, social skills development and remedial techniques.

"Our goal was to provide a reference to selected practical and proven ideas in this area," Mori said.

Dr. Mori has worked with handicapped children and adults in state institutions and public schools. A native of Pennsylvania, he became dean of the Marshall College of Education in 1984. He formerly served as a professor of special education and counseling and educational psychology and foundations at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

He received his bachelor's degree in government and history from Franklin and Marshall College in Pennsylvania, his master's degree in special education from Bloomsburg (Pa.) State College, and his doctorate in special education from the University of Pittsburgh.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- H. Keith Spears, a member of the Marshall University faculty since 1979, has been appointed general manager of the university's Instructional Television Services. Announcement of the appointment was made today by Dr. Robert F. Maddox, associate vice president for academic affairs and dean of the Graduate School.

An assistant professor of speech, Spears also had served as faculty advisor and general manager of the campus radio station, WMUL-FM, since joining the faculty.

"Keith Spears is an exceptionally talented individual and has the ability to work well with people at all levels," Maddox said. "With the importance of television as an instructional tool increasing every day, I'm pleased that he has agreed to assume the challenges facing Marshall's Instructional Television Service."

Spears succeeds David Gillmore, who resigned last spring to move to Houston, Texas.

A native of Wayne County, Spears received his Bachelor of Arts degree in biological sciences from Marshall in 1970. He earned the Master of Arts degree in educational broadcasting from Central Michigan University in 1974 and an M.A. degree in Communication Arts from Marshall in 1976.

He worked in the Wayne County schools system from 1970 to 1979, first as a teacher of biology and general science and later as instructional television producer for county schools and manager of the system's radio station, WFGH, at Fort Gay High School. Spears also has operated his own public relations company, Twelve-Pole Productions, staging concerts for various county fairs and commercial establishments, and producing electronic media commercials and print advertisements. He has produced documentaries and public affairs programs for WPBY-TV, as well as a video program about Marshall's College of Liberal Arts.

He and his wife, Rita, are the parents of two children, Eric and Jason.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- The Marshall University debate and individual events teams both received second place awards at the University of North Carolina-Charlotte forensics tournament held last weekend.

The debate team of Kerri McDaniel, a sophomore from Huntington, and Emily Stewart, a Huntington freshman, won seven debates before losing to the University of South Carolina in the final round, according to Dr. Bert Cross, associate professor of speech and co-director of the MU debate and individual events teams, along with Dr. William Denman, professor of speech.

McDaniel and Stewart also won second and first place speaker awards, respectively, for their performances in the preliminary rounds of the tournament which included 15 teams.

In the individual events portion of the competition, Marshall finished second to the University of North Carolina-Wilmington.

Award winners in individual events for Marshall included: Monica Bever, a senior from Parkersburg, first place in impromptu speaking, fourth in extemporaneous speaking, sixth in persuasion; Barbara Brandt, a senior from Barboursville, second in dramatic interpretation, third in informative speaking, fourth in pentathlon, fifth in poetry and sixth in dramatic duo; Pete Plybon, a Barboursville freshman, second in dramatic duo, sixth in prose; Angie Reynolds, a Hamlin freshman, second in dramatic duo, sixth in dramatic interpretation.

Annie Lancaster, a Huntington freshman, placed fourth in after-dinner speaking; Susan Snodgrass, a Wheeling senior, was fifth in after-dinner speaking and sixth in dramatic duo; Jane Frideczky, a senior from Charles Town, placed sixth in after-dinner speaking, and Dennis Taylor, a freshman from Alum Creek, was sixth in extemporaneous speaking.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Lysander L. Dudley Sr., director of industrial development for the state of West Virginia, will visit Marshall University Thursday, Dec. 19, for meetings with the Marshall President's Cabinet and Huntington area community leaders.

Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke said Dudley will meet with the President's Cabinet at 11 a.m., then will attend a luncheon with community leaders at noon. At 1:15 p.m. he will meet with representatives of the area's news media. All sessions will be held in Marshall's Memorial Student Center.

Dudley's visit is the 13th in a series of meetings arranged by Nitzschke with key members of the legislative and executive branches of state government.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- A Marshall University alumna and her husband, who earlier this year established a \$25,000 endowed scholarship fund for the university, have doubled the amount of the endowment.

Dr. Keith L. Scott, MU vice president for institutional advancement, announced today that Dr. Rosanna A. Blake and her husband, Fred E. Hulse, have contributed an additional \$25,000 to the Marshall University Foundation for the scholarship fund they set up last March.

The Rosanna A. Blake and Fred E. Hulse Scholarship in Southern History will be awarded to graduate students interested in southern history under provisions of an agreement initiated between the donors and the university last spring, Scott said.

Dr. Blake, a retired federal administrative law judge, is a 1934 graduate of Marshall. She announced in 1964 that she was willing her Rosanna A. Blake Library of Confederate History to Marshall. It is considered to be the best private collection of Confederate books and pamphlets in the country.

"This additional contribution will make the endowed scholarship even more important, not only to the students selected but to the university library as we prepare ourselves for the eventual responsibility of maintaining Dr. Blake's outstanding collection," Scott noted. "We are looking forward to having recipients of the scholarship work with the curator of the Marshall library as we acquire additional materials to supplement the collection."

Dr. Blake and Mr. Hulse make their home in Owings, Md.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Dr. Joan F. Gilliland, associate professor of English at Marshall University, has been named director of the university's Honors Program, according to Dr. Robert F. Maddox, associate vice president for academic affairs and dean of the MU Graduate School.

A member of the Marshall faculty since 1980, Dr. Gilliland received her B.A. degree in English from Maryville (Tenn.) College, her M.A. in English from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, and her Ph.D. from Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.

Dr. Gilliland previously taught at Motlow State Community College, Tullahoma, Tenn., Vanderbilt, where she received a teaching fellowship, and Salem (W. Va.) College.

She has been a member of the Modern Language Association, the West Virginia Association of College English Teachers, the West Virginia Shakespeare and Renaissance Association, the Southeastern Renaissance Conference, the Carolinas Symposium on British Studies, the Popular Culture Association and the Milton Society of America.

The recipient of five Marshall Foundation grants for faculty development, Gilliland also has been the recipient of two Benedum Foundation grants and a James Still Fellowship from the University of Kentucky. She has published numerous papers and articles on a wide variety of subjects.

"A university's honors program should be at the heart of everything the institution does academically, attracting the best students and drawing the best teachers for stimulating and intellectually demanding courses," said Dr. Gilliland. "The honors program should be highly visible both within and outside the university.

"In short," Dr. Gilliland said, "the honors program director should be a leader in the pursuit of excellence."

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Dr. Raymond L. Busbee, associate professor of health, physical education and recreation at Marshall University, has turned the entire MU campus into a laboratory for students in his Parks and Recreation Maintenance classes.

"I've always wanted to use the campus for a laboratory for this course," said Dr. Busbee, as he explained the class's most recent project--the relandscaping and beautification of the John Marshall bust in front of Old Main.

"I feel that under the worst conditions, college and university campuses should be like beautiful parks," Dr. Busbee said. "Under the best conditions, they should be like arboretums. I believe we can make the Marshall campus more attractive through projects such as this."

The project included removing the soil immediately surrounding the monument and replacing it with new top soil. Students then placed a cribbing of Indiana limestone around the area and planted new rhododendrons.

Although this work has been completed, the plans call for planting red and purple impatiens in flower beds around the bust this spring.

"With this combination of plants, there will be flowers in bloom from March to October," Busbee said. "The students did an excellent job of planning, designing and landscaping the area."

The project, according to Dr. Busbee, included a lot of drainage work beneath the monument and would have cost from \$6,000 to \$7,000 if it had been done by contractors.

"We had approximately 18 students working on the project and they put in over 200 man-hours of work. The materials cost approximately \$1,000," Dr. Busbee said.

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He said projects such as this are beneficial to everyone. "The students get good training and experience in some aspects of the work they will be doing when they graduate and the benefits to the campus are obvious. There is a tremendous potential for this type of thing at Marshall."

Dr. Busbee's work hasn't always been confined to the Marshall campus. He said that one year a class did a similar project at a local park, although he prefers to do work on the campus.

He noted that the Marshall administration was very cooperative and encouraging in the project and agreed to maintain this and other projects when they are completed.

"I would like to undertake one project of this nature each year," said Dr. Busbee. "I have one in mind now that I have been thinking about for next year, but we will have to wait and see. It will have to be approved and then the students will have to draw up the budgets, design the plans and do the actual work."

"It is an invaluable learning experience for the students and makes the campus brighter and more beautiful," Dr. Busbee said. "I think we will be able to do more projects like this in the future."

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Dr. Gary O. Rankin has been named chairman of the Department of Pharmacology at the Marshall University School of Medicine Dean Lester R. Bryant has announced.

The appointment of Rankin concludes a one-year national search.

"Dr. Rankin has proved to be an exceptional teacher and researcher, and he combines these qualities with strong leadership abilities that make him ideal for the position," Dr. Bryant said. "He's the kind of faculty member we would be fighting to get if he were at another institution."

In his seven years at Marshall, Rankin has been honored for both his research and his teaching -- most recently as the first faculty member chosen to represent Marshall in its "Meet-the-Scholar Program."

He received his undergraduate degree from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock and his Ph.D. in medicinal chemistry from the University of Mississippi. He did postdoctoral research at the Medical College of Ohio, where he also served as a teaching associate.

His professional memberships include the Society of Toxicology, the Society for Experimental Biology and Medicine, and the American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics.

He is a member of the board of directors of the West Virginia Affiliate of the American Heart Association and has served as chairman of its Research Public Information Committee and as a member of its Research Grant Peer Review Committee. He also serves on numerous School of Medicine, Veterans Administration and community committees.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- The widow of a Huntington physician has established a \$100,000 trust fund at the Twentieth Street Bank to assist Marshall University School of Medicine students, MU Vice President for Institutional Advancement Keith L. Scott announced today.

The Dr. and Mrs. Charles O. Reynolds Medical Scholarship Fund was arranged by Mrs. Reynolds, now a resident of St. Petersburg, Fla., in memory of her late husband, who practiced medicine in Huntington for 50 years, Scott said.

Proceeds from the endowed fund, will be used annually to assist one or two first-year students in the School of Medicine, based on need. The one-year scholarships may be renewed, however. Selection of students to receive the scholarships will be made by the dean of the School of Medicine, two other physicians from the school as designated by the dean, along with the trust officer and another officer of Twentieth Street Bank.

"We are very pleased and appreciative that Mrs. Reynolds has elected to honor the memory of Dr. Reynolds in this way," School of Medicine Dean Lester R. Bryant said. "The scholarships will be extremely helpful to Marshall University School of Medicine students for many, many years to come."

Mrs. Reynolds is the aunt of Mrs. Nellie Maude Dailey of Huntington, a retired member of the Marshall University faculty.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va. -- Twenty-seven students were recently inducted into the Marshall University Community College chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, a national community college honorary.

Phi Theta Kappa was founded in 1918 at Stephens College, Columbia, Mo., and was officially recognized in 1929 by the American Association of Junior Colleges as the honor society for two-year colleges.

In order to be eligible for membership students must have at least 12 semester hours applicable toward a degree, have a grade point average of 3.3 or higher, have established a record of academic excellence, be of good moral character and possess recognized leadership skills.

Students inducted into the honor society included:

From Huntington -- Brenda Allen, Linda K. Beegle, Kenneth James Byrne, Charles L. Cook, Candy Fulks, Danny Jenkins, Carla J. Mallory, James L. Mills, Linda Plaster, Kristina Polocek, Debra L. Robinson, Linda Spurlock and Mary Janice Miller Willis;

Lurcie Tabor Allen of Hamlin, Danita Sue Alt of Upper Tract, Nancy Bogardus of Ashland, Ky., Gary Michael Bush and Karen Hatfield of Milton, Claude R. Cremeans and Eva Hall of Barboursville, Carlene S. Fisher of Kenova, Mona Lynn Forsbee Hartley of Mason, Lea Ann Hunt of Hurricane, Mark Kuhn of Ona, Kelli Renea Mays of Lavalette, Carrie Pevarnik Persinger of Charleston, and Darlene Trautwein of Genoa.

Tary Rhea of Pt. Pleasant is president of the Marshall Phi Theta Kappa chapter. Karen Heinz of Proctorville, Ohio, is vice president and Lora Hart of Hurricane serves as secretary of the organization.

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