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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Marshall University's Choral Union and Community Orchestra will present two performances of "The Creation" by Haydn at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 6-7.

The Marshall Music Department's annual winter concert will feature 130 singers and 45 orchestral players under the direction of Dr. Paul Balshaw, professor of music. The two musical groups include several area residents in addition to student members.

The event is open to the public without charge.

The oratorio has wide appeal because of its musical description of the events of the creation, its tunefulness and its satisfying combination of words and music, according to Balshaw. In his text, Hayden used portions of the Book of Genesis and "Paradise Lost" by Milton, said Balshaw.

"Although this work has been performed in Huntington several times, this year's presentation marks the first time in more than 25 years that it has been given with orchestra," he noted.

The score calls for several soloists, including four angels who serve as narrators and Adam and Eve. Some of the solo parts have been double-cast with soloists performing on alternate nights in order to give a larger number of singers an opportunity for solo work, Balshaw said.

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Soloists for the performances will be: Samuel Munoff, Chesapeake, Ohio graduate assistant in voice, tenor; Ross Hudson, South Charleston junior, baritone; Rick Woods, Huntington sophomore, baritone; Susan Sanders, Nitro junior, soprano; Lisa Trumbore, Huntington senior, soprano; Rosemary McCormick, Charleston senior, soprano; Christopher Unger, Coplay, Pa., graduate assistant in voice, tenor; Allen Whitesides, Huntington sophomore, tenor; Leo Imperi, MU associate professor of music, bass, and Catherine Schoew, Huntington graduate assistant in voice, mezzo-soprano.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Dr. Robert D. Olson, professor of speech and director of the Speech and Hearing Center at Marshall University, has been named a Fellow of the American Speech and Hearing Association (ASHA).

The fellowship, given in recognition of professional or scientific achievements, was one of 25 awarded at the National Convention of the 25,000-member ASHA on Nov. 21 in Houston, Texas.

In March Olson was named to a two-year term as chairman of the ASHA Committee on Political and Social Responsibility. A member of the association's professional accreditation body, Olson is a continuing member of an ASHA-sponsored faculty which conducts workshops for directors of speech and hearing clinics.

A member of Marshall's faculty since 1968, Olson received his B.A. degree from Northern Idaho College of Education, his M.A. from Ohio University and his Ph.D. from Northwestern University.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Two Marshall University music students, Lisa Trumbore of Charleston and Robert Leete of Huntington, will appear in a joint recital at 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3, in Smith Recital Hall.

The program is free and open to the public.

Miss Trumbore, a soprano, is a student of Jane B. Shepherd, MU professor of music. She was awarded the Sherri Turley Memorial Scholarship. Miss Trumbore was soloist with the MU Symphonic Choir for its Fall 1976 tour of West Virginia, Kentucky and Virginia.

She is youth choir director for the Ashland, Ky., First Presbyterian Church and is music therapist at Lansdown Mental Health Center in Ashland.

Leete is a trumpet student of J.D. Folsom, MU associate professor of music. He has been active in Marshall's Symphonic Band, Community Orchestra and Brass Quintet. Leete has played professionally with the Huntington Chamber Orchestra and the Greater Huntington Symphonic Band as well as for various area churches.

Leete will perform the trumpet parts for the excerpts from Handel's oratorio "Samson" which Miss Trumbore has included in her program.

Assisting Leete in a brass quintet work by Ferrabosco will be Danny King, Huntington sophomore, on trumpet; Susan Bunsey, Huntington junior, horn; Craig Snyder, Manassas, Va., junior, trombone and Joseph Robinson, Chesapeake, Ohio senior, trombone.

Mrs. Harriet Tucker, instructor of piano at Marshall, will accompany Leete.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Cheri Smith of Huntington, a senior music major at Marshall University, will present a clarinet recital at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9, in Smith Recital Hall.

The concert is open to the public without charge.

A student of Thomas O'Connell, MU associate professor of music, Miss Smith will be accompanied by Betty Jo Miller, a Chesapeake, Ohio, sophomore. Her program will include works by Von Weber and Saint-Saens.

Active in several Marshall instrumental ensembles, including the Wind Symphony and Community Orchestra, Miss Smith was senior drum major with the Marching Band for the 1976 season. She received the 1972-73 Tri-State Band Scholarship and the Sherri Turley Memorial Scholarship in 1974.

Professionally, Miss Smith has performed with the Huntington Chamber Orchestra, the Huntington Symphonic Band and the West Virginia Wind Symphony.

Also appearing on the program Thursday will be George Persinger, a Charleston graduate student and trumpet student of J.D. Folsom, MU assistant professor of music. He will play selections for trumpet by Gabrielli Hindemith and Goedicke. Nancy Hill, a Belmont sophomore, will be his accompanist.

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HUNTINGTON, W. Va.--The Marshall University Chess Club will host its sixth annual High School Chess Tournament on Saturday, Dec. 4, in Memorial Student Center, according to Dr. Neil Gibbins, club advisor and professor of educational administration.

Registration for the day-long event will be from 8 to 8:45 a.m. and there will be a \$1 entry fee.

Gibbins said he expects approximately 75 students from Tri-State Area secondary schools to participate. Each player will have an opportunity to play four rounds. Six trophies will be awarded.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--For the seventh consecutive year, the Marshall University student affiliate chapter of the American Chemical Society (ACS) has been commended by the ACS for excellence, according to Dr. E.S. Hanrahan, professor of chemistry and departmental chairman.

Marshall was notified that it was one of 49 chapters out of 652 receiving commendations for activities during the 1975-76 year, Hanrahan said.

Each year the ACS Council's Committee on Chemical Education reviews activities of all chapters and selects those which have compiled outstanding records during the year for special commendation, according to Dr. James J. Hazdra, council committee chairman.

In his letter of notification, Hazdra said the chapter had "set an enviable example for others to follow."

Dr. Daniel Babb, MU associate professor of chemistry, is advisor to the student group. President of the chapter last year was Julie D. George of Huntington, who received her B.S. degree in chemistry in May Summa Cum Laude.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Approximately \$10,000 in loan funds for needy students enrolled in Marshall University's Nursing Program has been made possible by a recent gift from the Huntington Clinical Foundation, according to Dennis Montrella, MU student financial aid director.

When matched with federal funds on a 9-to-1 basis, the Clinical Foundation's gift of \$1,015 will provide about 17 loans for students this year, Montrella said.

Endowed through the estate of the late Rufus Switzer, prominent Huntington resident and former mayor, the foundation provides funds for medical education and medical assistance for Huntington area people.

Since Switzer's death in 1947, the foundation has awarded about \$250,000 to various medical efforts in the area. Dr. Winfield John, Huntington physician, is the current foundation president.

For many years, the Clinical Foundation has contributed to the Nursing Loan Program at Marshall and to other affiliate programs as well, including the Speech and Hearing Center and, more recently, Family Care Outpatient Center, Inc.

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Editor's Note: Once upon a time, university students could safely be called "college kids." That isn't the case these days. The following story, written for The Parthenon, Marshall University student newspaper, tells why.

By SHERRI SOLOCHEK

Marshall Student Journalist

HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--It's easy to spot a "mom" on the Marshall University campus.

No, "mom" isn't a new Greek organization. No, "mom" isn't a radical group of the Student Senate

A "mom" is that person with dish-pan hands, graying hair and ironed blue jeans who, for reasons known only to herself, has decided to go to college.

"Oh sure," you might say, "I've seen a "mom" here and there--there's even one in my class--she's the lady who makes out her grocery list while the rest of us take notes."

Right! Now you've got it. A "mom" is a woman student, just a bit different from other woman students.

What makes a woman with piles of dirty laundry, car pooling for three children and a husband who expects dinner on time, go back to school?

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"Gee, I've often asked myself that," said Norma J. Mitchell, Huntington junior. Mitchell is carrying nine credit hours and has been in school for four and one-half years over a 20 year period. "When I quit school to get married, I promised myself and my mother that someday I'd finish. I'm hoping to do it by 1979," said the business education major.

Another business education major who's a "mom" is Brenda T. Glick, Huntington junior. Glick, 33, has two children and wants to finish school because "I'm not getting any younger." Having spent six years at Marshall, Brenda hopes to graduate in three more. Mrs. Glick is carrying 11 credit hours and chose her major because, "It won't involve small children. I've had enough of that."

Sandra F. Oppenheim of Huntington is a graduate student in speech pathology and is doing practice teaching this semester. After being out of school 17 years, Oppenheim went back because of "a lifelong dream of helping people."

"I hope to graduate in 1978, but I do enjoy all the hassels that go along with being a student, wife, mother of three, bridge player and PTA volunteer," she said.

All three students have more than motherhood in common. Each woman has a husband at home and all agree that while their husbands do nothing to hinder their academic lives, they do little to help either. All three women believe that while housework may suffer (only Glick has outside cleaning help), the quality of their lives with their children is fine.

Mitchell often studies until the early morning hours so she can have free weekends to spend with her children. Glick, on the other hand, makes special time to spend with her children each day, leaving homework for evenings and weekends.

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Oppenheim believes her relationship with her children has improved since she became a student. "Now they see me as a person who can be disappointed or excited about grades. It gives them more incentive in their school work," she said.

Only Oppenheim said there was a disadvantage to being an older student. "I've been out of the field for so long," she said, "the younger students remember everything I've forgotten."

"The only time I ever felt out of it in class," said Mitchell, "was when we discussed 'golden oldies' in a journalism course and everyone looked at me." Other than that incident, she feels she is treated as "one of the gang."

Each of the "moms" agree they are more comfortable now with their teachers than they were when they were beginning students. "It's hard to be in awe of someone on your own age level," said Mitchell.

Although there are no figures on just how many "moms" attend Marshall, the number is definitely going up, according to James W. Harless, MU director of admissions.

Harless has arranged several "Open House for Women" programs, for beginning and re-entering mature students before the semester begins. The program features speakers who include deans of various departments, testimony of women who have come back to school and have "made it" and a one-hour tour of buildings, places to eat, places to study and places to park.

"We try to dispel the fears the mature woman may have about competing with 17-year-olds. We try to relieve their anxieties about the priority they must set concerning school and family. We also explain that if a woman intends to carry six credit hours, she may have to give up the afternoon soap opera," Harless said.

The next time you see a woman sitting in the Student Center making out a grocery list, go up and talk to her. She may be someone's "mom."



Cathi McGraw



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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--An institution-wide effort to define goals and set priorities for these goals is under way at Marshall University, according to Dr. Jim Nichols, director of MU's Institutional Research and Planning Office

"We are trying to plan for our next decade with assistance from all quarters of the campus and from some off-campus supporters," Nichols said.

In November, nearly 1,000 Institutional Goals Inventory (IGI) questionnaires were distributed to members of the faculty, administration, non-professional staff, students, Alumni Association board of directors and various advisory committees.

The questionnaires include 110 statements of possible institutional goals. Respondents are to indicate their views on a five-point scale which ranges from "Of No Importance" to "Of Extreme Importance," both as attitudes currently are on campus and as they would like to see them, Nichols said.

Ninety of the statements were prepared by Educational Testing Services of Princeton, N.J., and represent goals common to higher education institutions. The remaining 20 were developed locally by Marshall's University Council from recommendations by other campus committees.

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The statements deal with academic development, intellectual awareness, research emphases, public service, and cultural and esthetic awareness.

"We are trying to find out from our own people the direction they think we should be taking in our present and future planning," Nichols said.

"The results of the IGI will be used by a campus committee on planning as a departure point for its deliberation," Nichols said. The results should be ready by early spring, he added.

"The rate of return on the questionnaires has been very good," he noted. "At present, we have nearly a 50 per cent return."



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HUNTINGTON, W. Va.--Marshall University's Office of the Registrar has a new form which will simplify the registration process if returning students avail themselves of it, according to Registrar Robert H. Eddins.

All former Marshall students who were not enrolled in courses for the 1976 fall semester are being asked to fill out a re-admission application, the registrar said.

This will be used to create individual registration forms for the upcoming spring semester which will contain such student information as birthdate, name of parent or guardian, addresses and major with spaces to make any necessary changes, he said.

"If you attended Marshall last summer or five years ago, we can provide you a pre-printed registration form when you file the re-admission application," he said.

The re-admission application can be obtained from the Registrar's Office in Old Main Room 105, any weekday now through Dec. 23 during the hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The form should be filed with the Registrar's Office no later than Jan. 3. Students not filing the re-admission application may experience delays when going through registration on Jan. 10-11.

"We are trying to make things as simple as possible for returning students," the registrar said.



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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--The West Virginia Association for Gifted Children will meet Wednesday, Dec. 15, at 7:30 p.m. in Room 2W22 of Marshall University's Memorial Student Center. The meeting will be open to the public.

In addition to the business session, a film entitled "Why Man Creates" will be shown. Following that, a program of Appalachian folk music will be presented.

The recently-organized group is composed of parents, teachers and others concerned with gifted children and their problems.

Announcement of the meeting was made by Dr. George A. Schena, assistant professor of curriculum and instruction at Marshall.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Marshall University will offer 27 courses in 15 West Virginia communities during the spring semester, according to Dr. David E. Koontz, MU off-campus programs director.

Registration will be conducted at the first class session and each course carries a \$38.40 fee for resident West Virginia students, The fee for non-residents of the state is \$201.75.

Those taking off-campus courses should be enrolled in the Graduate School, since the courses carry three hours of graduate credit, Dr. Koontz said.

Enrollment for 10 of the classes has closed, but the following courses are still open:

CEDAR LAKES

VTE 581, Media Construction for Vocational Courses, Thursdays at 6:30 p.m., beginning Jan. 13, at Cedar Lakes.

CHARLESTON

VTE 410/510, Developing Instructional Materials for Occupational Courses, Mondays at 4 p.m., beginning Jan. 10, at Garnet Adult Center.

SED 645, Safety Engineering and Equipment Design, Mondays at 6:30 p.m., beginning Jan. 10, at George Washington High School.

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Ed.M. 504, Book Selection for Children, Mondays at 6:30 p.m., beginning Jan. 10, at the Kanawha County Board of Education.

CJ 631, Correctional Planning, Mondays at 6:30 p.m., beginning Jan. 10, at Charleston Catholic High School

CJ 555, Statistics in Criminal Justice, Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m., beginning Jan. 12, at Charleston Catholic High School

GRAFTON

VTE 660, Vocational Education and Manpower Needs, Thursdays at 5 p.m., beginning Jan. 13, at Grafton High School.

INSTITUTE

SED 630, Current Literature and Research in OSHA, Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m., beginning Jan. 12, at the West Virginia Rehabilitation Center.

LENORE

CI 624, Advanced Instructional Strategies, Mondays at 5 p.m., beginning Jan. 10, at Lenore High School.

Soc. St. 582, Trends in the Social Science Curriculum, Mondays at 5 p.m., beginning Jan. 10, at Lenore High School.

MONTGOMERY

VTE 582, Technical Education Curriculum Development, Mondays at 4:30 p.m., beginning Jan. 10, at West Virginia Technical Community College.

PARKERSBURG

VTE 584, Introduction to the Organization of Community/Junior Colleges, Wednesdays at 4 p.m., beginning Jan. 12, at Wood County Career Center.

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CI 657, Advanced Techniques in Teaching Elementary School Math, Mondays at 5 p.m., beginning Jan. 10, at Mason County Vocational School.

Ed.F. 616, Advanced Studies in Human Development, Tuesdays at 5 p.m., beginning Jan. 11, at Mason County Vocational School.

PRINCETON

VTE 640, Literature of Vocational Education, Thursdays at 5 p.m.-- registration to be conducted Wednesday, Jan. 12--at Mercer County Vocational Center.

VTE 660, Vocational Education and Manpower Needs, Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m., beginning Jan. 12, at Mercer County Vocational Center.

SED 645, Safety Engineering and Equipment Design, Thursdays at 6:30 p.m., beginning Jan. 13, at Mercer County Vocational Center.

Students enrolling in off-campus courses, who have not previously been admitted to Marshall, should send a request for admission to the Director of Admissions, Marshall University, Huntington, W.Va. 25701.

Persons desiring additional information may call Dr. Koontz at 696-6430 or write or visit his office, Jenkins Hall 217, Marshall University.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Registration dates for spring semester classes at the Community College of Marshall University have been announced by Glenn E. Smith, director of instructional services. Classes begin Jan. 12.

Students may register for Community College classes conducted on the Huntington campus of Marshall University Jan. 4 through 8 in the Community College building, 18th St. and 4th Ave., from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, and 8 a.m. to noon Saturday.

Those who are unable to register during the first week can report to regular University registration Jan. 10 and 11 in Memorial Student Center. Time tickets are required for these sessions only and are available at the Registrar's Office, Main 105. Hours for regular registration are 8 a.m. to noon, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Monday, and 8 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday.

Registration will continue for Community College classes Jan. 12 through 18 in the Community College building.

Students who will enroll in off-campus classes taught at the Mason County Vocational-Technical Center in Point Pleasant will register Jan. 7 from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the center.

Registration for Charleston area students who are enrolling in classes in the Legal Assistant program will be Jan. 5 from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at Capitol Complex Building 7, Rooms A and B.

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Further information about registration or admission requirements can be obtained by calling the Community College (304) 696-3646.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--Dr. James E. Moreland, a Marshall University School of Medicine faculty member, will attend the Silver Jubilee Conference of the Anatomical Society of India to be held at Kucknow, India, Dec. 29-Jan. 2.

Moreland, chairman of the Anatomy Department at Marshall, is one of two representatives from the American Association of Anatomists attending the meeting.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--James R. Wilson, assistant professor of speech pathology at Marshall University, has earned a Ph.D. degree from the University of Denver, MU Vice President for Academic Affairs A. Mervin Tyson announced today.

Dr. Wilson's dissertation is entitled "Systematic Desensitization Combined with Electromyographic Biofeedback as a Therapeutic Technique in Stuttering Remediation."

A native of Carrollton, Missouri, Wilson joined the Marshall faculty in 1974. He earned his baccalaureate and master's degrees from the University of Missouri. He held graduate fellowships for his master's and doctoral degrees.

Before coming to Marshall, he was a speech pathologist for a public school system in Bethel, Kansas, and served as director of the Speech Pathology division of the Crippled Children's Nursery School at Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City, Mo.

He is a member of the American Speech and Hearing Association and its counterpart on the state level. Wilson also has presented papers at the association's national and state conventions.

He and his wife, the former Judith Hinz, are the parents of two sons.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--An organizational meeting for area residents interested in taking courses relating to life insurance will be held Jan. 11 at 7 p.m. in Room 135, Community College building, Marshall University.

Classes are co-sponsored by the Community College and the Huntington Chapter, Certified Life Underwriters, in conjunction with the American College of Certified Life Underwriters.

Two classes will be offered beginning Jan. 11. They are "Life Insurance Law and Mathematics" and "Investments and Family/Financial Management." Classes will meet from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Days and meeting place will be announced at the organizational meeting. Registration will be held at the first meeting. Fees are due at the time of registration.

Further information about the classes can be obtained by calling Glenn E. Smith, director of instructional services at the Community College, (304) 696-3646.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--A team representing the Marshall University Chess Club will compete in the Pan American Intercollegiate Chess Tournament to be held at the Statler Hilton Hotel in New York City Dec. 26-30, according to Dr. Neil Gibbins, club advisor.

Marshall's team members are Paul Harless, Huntington sophomore; John Molino, Huntington senior; Tim Gillion, Scott Depot sophomore, and Mike Cornell, Winfield senior.

"This is the third year that a team from Marshall has participated in this tournament, which draws the top players from the United States, Canada and Mexico," said Gibbins, chairman of Marshall's educational administration department.

"Last year there were 600 players, representing 120 teams, in the competition," he added. The team's trip is being funded through grants from the Alumni Association, the Marshall University Foundation, Inc., and the club treasury, Gibbins said.

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(EDITORS: The following is about a Christmas surprise. Please do not alert the family before Christmas.)

HUNTINGTON, W. Va.--Santa Claus, disguised as a Postal Service employee, delivered an unusual Christmas present to Mr. and Mrs. Lyell V. Douthat of 1110 11th Ave., Huntington.

Douthat, a former Marshall University associate professor of education, and his wife, Pauline, received a letter last week from MU College of Education Dean Bernard Queen notifying them that a scholarship at Marshall had been endowed in their names. The scholarship was a Christmas surprise from a son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Rudenz T. Douthat of Beaumont, Texas.

About two months ago, Dr. Douthat and his wife wrote Jack C. Phillips, MU director of development, announcing their intention to establish the Lyell V. and Pauline Dunfee Douthat Endowed Scholarship.

"A significant part of their lives has been dedicated to the workings of Marshall University, and more specifically to the College of Education," the younger Douthats wrote in declaring their intention to honor his parents and their efforts.

After 41 years of teaching at the university, the elder Douthat retired in 1967. A native of Huntington, he earned his baccalaureate degree cum laude from Marshall and a master's degree in educational administration from Ohio State University. In 1959 he received a master's degree in geography from Marshall.

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Also a Huntington native, Mrs. Douthat is a 1924 graduate of Marshall and serves as historian for her class which had its 50th anniversary-reunion during the 1974 Alumni Weekend. She has several scrapbooks of Marshall memorabilia. During her husband's tenure at Marshall, she was very active in the Faculty Wives Club.

The Douthats have two other sons, in addition to Rudenz, a Beaumont physician. They are David, who resides in the Washington, D.C. area, and Wylie of Huntington. All three attended Marshall University.

While a student during the mid-1920s, Douthat played baseball and was student body president. As a faculty member he not only taught on campus, but traveled to Logan, Man, Williamson and Point Pleasant for extension classes.

Douthat's support of Marshall wasn't limited to the classroom, but he served on several committees, including the one which established the Marshall Artist Series. He also served as executive secretary for the Marshall Alumni Association, editing its publications. Interested in photography, he used his skills to benefit Marshall, filming many of the sports events and recording commencement programs. During World War II, he assisted the Huntington Publishing Co., serving as chief photographer there.

Active in the community, he has been a member of the Lions Club and for more than 20 years taught the Taylor Forum Men's Bible Class at Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church.

While the scholarship fund is open to other contributors, the younger Douthats initiated it with a \$2,000 contribution and plan to make similar gifts to it annually.

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Interest from the fund is to be used for a scholarship to a needy student in his or her junior year, enrolled in the College of Education, who has proved through scholastic qualifications and motivation to be a serious student and who otherwise might be unable to finish college.

The scholarship would be renewable for a second year, if the student's qualifications remain unchanged. Another junior would be selected with two scholarships to be awarded after the first year. The first scholarship is to be awarded in the fall of 1977.

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HUNTINGTON, W.Va.--A writing award program named in honor of eastern Kentucky author Jesse Stuart has been established at Marshall University by the Second National Bank of Ashland, Ky., Jack C. Phillips, MU development director, announced today.

The bank will underwrite "The Jesse Stuart Writing Award of the Second National Bank of Ashland" with annual gifts of \$300 over a five-year period, Phillips said.

In announcing Second National's role in the program, G.B. Johnson, bank president, said:

"It gives those of us at Second National a sense of pride to honor Jesse Stuart who through his writings has fostered so much pride in the rich culture of this region."

Beginning with the 1977-78 academic year, two awards will be presented to students in Marshall's composition or literature classes who have produced distinguished writings about the Appalachian region, according to Dr. Marvin O. Mitchell, chairman of the MU English Department.

The winning writing--to be selected by English Department faculty members--may be in the form of personal essay, poetry or fiction developing Appalachian themes, or it may be an expository essay related to some aspect of Appalachian culture, said Mitchell, who developed the proposal for the awards. Prizes of \$200 and \$100 for first and second place winners, respectively, will be presented in a public program, he added.

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"The awards not only will encourage interest in the Appalachian heritage and excellence in writing related to the Appalachian experience, but also will honor Jesse Stuart for his achievements," Mitchell said.

"We are delighted that Mr. Johnson and his board of directors have seen fit to honor Jesse Stuart and to emphasize his own encouragement of Appalachian writers in this manner," he said.

Mitchell noted that this is not the first time Marshall had honored Stuart, one of America's outstanding writers, for his contributions to literature and his inspiration to young writers in the region.

On Nov. 18, 1975, the university observed Jesse Stuart Day by unveiling a collection of first editions and special editions of Stuart's works acquired for the James E. Morrow Library.

The collection includes about 60 volumes of Stuart's works, plus other material about the author himself.

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