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Cooley takes new position with Marshall University; named associate vice president for intercultural affairs



HUNTINGTON, W.Va. – Maurice Cooley, director of the Center for African American Students at Marshall University for the past 11 years, has been named associate vice president for intercultural affairs, university President Stephen J. Kopp announced today.

Cooley assumes his new position Friday, Jan. 17. Intercultural affairs is the new name for the former office of multicultural affairs and now reports to the division of academic affairs.

“The title of intercultural affairs more accurately reflects the paradigm and the kind of work that we must do in universities in our global society,” Cooley said. “And that is to focus on the intercultural process of bringing people together.”

Cooley is a two-time graduate of Marshall University. He graduated from MU with a bachelor’s degree in Sociology in 1970, then served three years active duty in the U.S. Army as a psychology specialist. He returned to Marshall and earned his Master of Arts degree in Counseling in 1975.

Before joining Marshall in January 2003, Cooley was employed for more than 25 years at Pretera Center for Mental Health, where he was a clinician, psychotherapist, program director, and served as a divorce custody mediator with the local family law court.

Kopp praised Cooley for his job performance at Marshall the past 11 years.

“Maurice sincerely cares about the students at Marshall University,” Kopp said. “He has implemented many exemplary programs and activities such as the Black Scholars Program and recently the annual Unity Walk, which takes place homecoming week and brings together students, faculty and staff from all over the university. He currently serves on a number of university committees and has delivered over 25 programs, events, enrichment experiences and educational presentations through the Center for African American Students. Maurice has big plans and goals in this new role, and I am confident that he will accomplish them all. I look forward to his leadership and the contributions he will make in his new role.”

Cooley said he wants to create plans to increase the underrepresented minority students at the university, and work with international students who now live on campus.

“I am looking forward to working very, very closely with the deans, faculty and certainly the students in the INTO program, with development of immersion programs so they will become an integral part of the Marshall family,” Cooley said. “We want them to not just be happy here, but to feel like they are a part of the Marshall family. We need to develop processes and a culture where our students will learn from international students and international students will learn and develop new perspectives about life in America.”

Ultimately, Cooley said, when the international students and non-international students from Marshall complete their journeys in school and go off to work in professional work settings across the country and the world, they will take with them knowledge gained in the Marshall experience, which includes having had the experience here of living, learning, working and socializing and learning from students from around the world.

The former office of multicultural affairs, Cooley said, has been “carefully redesigned to where it moves the role of the university to more of a current age of what we must do to prepare our students for global change. The change of the name reflects the change in the vision,” he said.

The support services and the vision for the development and growth of African and African American students will remain intact, Cooley said. He will continue to direct the Center for African American students and all the related programs as well as the Marshall University Society of Black Scholars. At the same time, he will integrate the Center for African American Student concepts into the overall intercultural concepts.

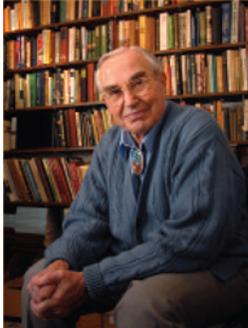
Other accomplishments by Cooley while at Marshall include:

- He is a founding member, and still serves on the Cabell-Wayne County Health Science and Technology Academy (HSTA) local governing board.
- He has been, since 2008, a member of the MU-HSTA Summer Institute, serving as summer staff director and on the planning team.
- He is the director of the annual Outstanding Black High School Student Weekend and Scholars Initiative.
- He created and directed programs and individualized interventions that led to the following recognition – Marshall received national recognition in 2010 for being among the top 26 rated public universities in the United States, when comparing African American student graduation rates with Caucasian student graduating rates.
- He is 2003 founder and director of the highly acclaimed Marshall University Society of Black Scholars.
- He is redesign director of the prestigious annual Donning of the Kente celebration.
- He is chair of the annual Diversity Breakfast.
- He is founder and director of the Black Alumni Connections Network.

Cooley said he hopes to eventually establish a center for intercultural affairs at Marshall, featuring an open environment in which students from throughout the world can come to MU

and seek not just academic advising, but at the same time “learn and socialize, and grow and live with one another. That is one of my personal ambitions here at the university.”

In Memoriam: Dr. Sam Clagg



Dr. Sam Clagg, emeritus professor of geography and a past acting president of Marshall University, died Thursday, Jan. 9. A memorial service took place Sunday, Jan. 12, in the Memorial Student Center.

For further information, click to view the following:

[Herald-Dispatch obituary;](#)

[Excerpt from Marshall Magazine, Spring 2007;](#)

[Excerpt from Principals and Presidents of Marshall University, written by Lisle G. Brown in 2012.](#)

Reminder: ‘Living the Legacy’ awards luncheon to take place Jan. 23, deadline is today

Best-selling author Omar Tyree will be the featured speaker for the annual “Living the Legacy” Awards Luncheon, which will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 23, in the Don Morris Room of the Memorial Student Center.

Tyree’s works include the nonfiction *The Equation: Applying the 4 Indisputable Components of Business Success* and novels such as *Flyy Girl, Welcome to Dubai (The Traveler)* and *For the Love of Money*.

Dr. Shari Clarke, vice president for multicultural affairs, said the luncheon is free to the Marshall community, but reservations are required. Reservations may be made by e-mailing allen1@marshall.edu or calling ext. 6-4677. The deadline is today, Wednesday, Jan. 15.

“A diversity speaker, Omar Tyree connects Dr. King’s dreams to contemporary society and challenges the audience to ask how close we have come to attaining the dream.” Clarke said.

After transferring from the University of Pittsburgh, where he played football, to Howard University, Tyree went on to become one of the few authors to have best-sellers in multiple categories, including fiction, business, and children's works. He now is entering the realm of mysteries/thrillers. After developing a cult-like following in the mid-Atlantic region, Tyree continued to write a book a year and soon developed a national following. This led him to publishing powerhouse Simon and Schuster, which signed the young talent to a multiple publishing deal. Currently he's having one of his books optioned as a stage play.

Clarke also said the program is dedicated to the memory of Janis Winkfield, who was a staff member in the Office of Financial Aid at Marshall until her death in 2009. Winkfield also was member of the Marshall University Foundation Board of Directors and a past president of the Marshall Black Alumni. Donations will be collected at the luncheon for the scholarship in her name.

Also as part of the luncheon, several individuals will be recognized and honored for living King's legacy.

The event is sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Affairs, with assistance from corporate sponsor Walmart.

Sandee Lloyd named Employee of the Month



Sandee Lloyd, Administrative Associate, Graduate College Dean's Office, has been named the Marshall University Employee of the Month for October, according to Michelle Brown Douglas, chair of the Employee of the Month Committee.

Employed since March 1984, she was nominated by Dr. David J. Pittenger.

Pittenger related in his nomination that, although there was a comprehensive "desk manual" prepared for him by his predecessor, after he became interim dean of graduate studies in August 2013, there were numerous day-to-day matters that needed to be dealt with and he continued to call upon Lloyd, .

"I became more impressed with her comprehensive knowledge of the office, the many issues our students face and the accuracy of the advice she has given me," he wrote. "I am also impressed by her 'can-do' attitude and willingness to take on the 'and other duties as assigned' tasks that I ask her to help me with. ...I am extremely impressed by the professional face she presents for the college. She is often the first person students see when coming into the office, the first person who responds to their e-mails, and the first person to take their calls. In each case....she offers

calm and carefully worded information that is most helpful for all who inquire. The Graduate College is grateful for her outstanding work and we are hopeful she will be recognized as such.”

Lloyd was presented with a plaque and a check for \$100 by President Stephen J. Kopp.

Anthropologist using 3-D printing technology to enhance research and student learning; equipment available to university community



As a biological anthropologist and assistant biology professor at Marshall University, Dr. Paul Constantino studies human evolution. His research focuses on how the skull and teeth have developed and how diet has influenced that development.

The shelves of his office are lined with life-size skull models illustrating the range of human evolution and his lab is filled with experiments designed to measure things like the force required to crack nuts and the jaw motions of giant pandas as they chew bamboo.

Ironically, perhaps, for someone studying and teaching about humans who lived tens of thousands of years ago, Constantino is using one of today’s hottest technologies in his lab and classroom.

He recently bought a state-of-the-art 3-D printer to give students in his human anatomy courses hands-on access to replicas of specimens they are studying and is working to get the word out that access to the equipment is available to other departments across the university.

He says, “We purchased the printer so we could make reproductions of specimens at the size we need to inspect them. For example, some of the teeth we are examining are tiny, almost microscopic, so they are very difficult to see. Now we can print a model of that tooth that’s large enough to handle and shows all the detail, right down to the ridges and grooves on the surface of the actual specimen.”

Or, he adds, perhaps the actual specimen they want to see is one-of-a-kind and in a collection on the other side of the world. All Constantino’s team needs is a 3-D data file of the object and they are able to print a realistic model they can hold in their hands right here in Huntington.

Constantino said they are continuing to expand their capabilities and have recently ordered a portable 3-D scanner to complement the printer.

“We will be able to take the 3-D scanner out in the field—to a museum or archeological site for example—scan a specimen, come back to the lab and print a reproduction of it that we can study,” he said. “We will also be able to scan moving objects, like a person’s head while they are talking, and capture and print a particular expression in 3-D.”

He added he can envision teaching and research applications for the 3-D printer in a number of fields, including engineering, science, the arts and medicine.

“We want to make sure this valuable tool is used as much as possible. The equipment has to be run regularly to keep it in working order, so we are making it available to the university community,” he said. “We can provide scaled-up versions of whatever faculty and students might be studying—molecules or microbes, for instance.”

Constantino said the only charges to other university departments will be for the material used by the printer and a technician’s time to run the equipment.

“The printer is great for creating 3-D models of almost anything, including design prototypes, maps and anatomical structures,” he said. “All we really need to print a model is a 3-D image. We can use CT or laser scans, even data from confocal microscopes. Anything like that will work. We can even do color models.”

The largest model the printer can produce is 9.3 inches by 7.3 inches by 5 inches, but he said several pieces can be printed separately and glued together to create larger models.

The printer can use data from a number of file types, including STL, .VRML, .PLY, 3DS and ZPR.

Free estimates are available. For more information or to request an estimate, contact Constantino at constantinop@marshall.edu.

Constantino joined the faculty at Marshall in 2010. Prior to that, he was a postdoctoral scientist at George Washington University.

He has a bachelor’s degree in biology from St. Michael’s College, a master’s degree in anthropology from Florida Atlantic University and a doctorate in hominid paleobiology from George Washington University. In April, he was honored with the university’s Distinguished Artists and Scholars Award, which recognizes achievements in the fields of artistic and scholarly activity.

Rec Center available to Marshall employees until Jan. 26

The Marshall Recreation Center is inviting all Marshall employees to bring their immediate families to utilize the center through Sunday, Jan. 26, said Michele Muth, assistant director – marketing and memberships. This is an extension by one week of the originally announced date.

If you haven't had a chance to utilize the facility or you're looking to kick off your New Year's resolution, now is the opportunity. And if you're still affected by the current water emergency, you may want to take advantage of the shower facilities. Bring your Marshall ID to the Welcome Desk at the Recreation Center to get started.

Marshall Recreation Center division of Outdoor Pursuits releases spring calendar of events, trips

Marshall Recreation Center division of Outdoor Pursuits has released its calendar of events and trips for the spring 2014 semester. Advance registration is required unless otherwise noted. Here is the schedule:

January

27 – Winter Warmer Film Series: 180 Degrees South – The first installment of the Rec's 4-week Outdoor Film Series will be held in the Outdoor Pursuits Lounge.

February

31-Feb. 2 – Ski Trip at Snowshoe – A 3-day, 2-night skiing and snowboarding trip to the Snowshoe Mountain Resort. Various packages are available.

3 – Winter Warmer Film Series: The Shorts – The second installment of the Rec's Outdoor Film Series will be held in the Outdoor Pursuits Lounge. Featuring *23Feet, MoveShake and Gimp Monkeys*.

10 – Winter Warmer Film Series – The third installment of the Rec's Outdoor Film Series held in the Outdoor Pursuits Lounge, featuring *Wild Water*.

15 – Ski Trip to Winterplace – 1 full day of skiing and snowboarding fun at Winterplace Ski Resort. Optional snowtubing will be available.

17 – Winter Warmer Film Series – Final installment of the Rec’s Outdoor Film Series held in the Outdoor Pursuits Lounge featuring Flight of the Frenchies (subject to change).

March

1 – 2nd annual Climbing Competition – Climbing Competition will be held at the Rec and complete with new routes, prizes and awards. Registration includes a t-shirt.

8 – Mountain biking at New River Gorge – 4-hour biking trip in the mountains of the New River Gorge National Park.

17-21 – Spring break in Charleston, S.C. – The Rec’s annual spring break celebration trip to Charleston, S.C.

28-30 – Canoe/kayaking trip to the Greenbrier River –a 2-day, 1-night canoe and kayaking trip. No experience is necessary.

April

5 – Rock Climbing at New River Gorge – A 2-day, 1-night rock-climbing trip to the New River Gorge National Park.

12-13 – Whitewater rafting at New River Gorge – A 2-day, 1-night whitewater rafting/camping trip at the lower New River.

25-27 – Backpacking at Shenandoah National Park – A 3-day, 2-night backpacking trip on the Appalachian Trail inside the park. Previous hiking experience is required.

May

3-4 – Spring Thaw Bouldering Competition – The Rec’s inaugural bouldering competition will be held in the Outdoor Pursuits Center complete with new bouldering problems, prizes and awards.

For rates or additional information, contact Chad Steen, Outdoor Pursuits coordinator, by phone at ext. 6-4653, or by e-mail at steenc@marshall.edu.

Marshall Recreation Center presents MELT: a workshop for sports-related pain and injury

The Marshall Recreation Center will be hosting a special hour of MELT with Susan Robarts at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 21.

MELT is a simple self-treatment technique that helps people get out of and stay out of chronic pain. MELT is not exercise or a diet. It is a simple method using soft balls and a soft roller that can be done at home to restore neurological balance, stability, and joint mobility. This workshop will show how to MELT at home to decrease the “stuck stress” that has accumulated in the body from normal activities and daily living.

Robarts, BSc, CPT, and instructor of the class, said, “MELTing your body is just as important as brushing your teeth in regards to self-care. You brush your teeth for two reasons: one, to have fresh breath for the short-term, and two, to keep your teeth healthy for the long term. Look at MELT the same way. Here are two reasons to MELT: one, to rid your body of the ‘stuck stress’ that has accumulated throughout the day, and two, to give your joints and tissues the proper hydration they need to keep you free of pain and disease over time. MELT takes about as long as it does to brush your teeth, so why not give your body the self-care it deserves and needs?”

Members and non-members of the Rec Center are all welcome. This class is ideal for athletes and anyone with chronic pain. The cost is \$20 for members and \$28 for non-members. Call ext.6-4732 for more information. To sign up, visit the Rec Center Welcome Desk or www.marshallcampusrec.com.

Abatement project under way in Science Building

An asbestos abatement project on the second floor (annex side) of the Science Building began Jan. 13 and is expected to be concluded Friday, Jan. 17, according to Tracy Smith, director of environmental safety and health. Next week, beginning Monday, Jan. 20, an abatement project will be conducted on the ground floor annex side of the building. The purpose of these projects is to remove floor tile and mastic in the corridor to prepare the area for repairs and renovation.

During the project, these areas will be unoccupied and will be completely isolated from the rest of the building by protective barriers. The project will be conducted after normal operating hours in order to minimize interruption of building operations.

As with all asbestos abatement projects, Smith said, this project will be undertaken utilizing every safety precaution and surpassing the minimum state and federal guidelines and regulations.

Faculty Achievements: Dr. Jeffrey Powell

Dr. Jeffrey L. Powell, professor of philosophy and the 2013-14 Drinko fellow, was part of a panel concerning the notions of pain and language in Heidegger at the Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy conference held last fall at the University of Oregon.

In addition, he presented “Heidegger and *Ereignis*” at the West Virginia Philosophical Society meeting at Marshall, which he organized, in November.

He also published “Language, Writing, and Truth” in *Research in Phenomenology*, vol. 43/1, and has an essay, “On the Event,” that is to appear in *Continental Philosophy Review* sometime in 2014.

Powell has been awarded a book contract from SUNY Press for *Aesthetic Reason and Imaginative Freedom: Friedrich Schiller and Philosophy*, an edited collection he is doing with María del Rosario Acosta from the Universidad de los Andes in Bogotá, Columbia.

Rec Center announces Fitness Challenge

The Marshall Recreation Center has announced a fitness challenge that will be in effect until April 11. Following is the announcement as prepared by Rec Center staff.

Do you have a New Year’s Resolution to lose weight or have new fitness goals for yourself? Then sign up for the Spring 2014 Fitness Challenge. What better way to stay motivated and on track than to log your points and progress with friends!!

We have two divisions available for the Fitness Challenge: Student or Faculty/Staff. The Challenge will take place January 20th– April 11th. Each team must consist of 2-5 participants. Register your team and track your points on our website: MarshallCampusRec.com/fitnesschallenge.

Log your weekly exercise time to receive your points; this must be done no later than the Monday following the week you complete the exercises. The team standings will be updated weekly. The top three teams in each division are awarded prizes:

- 1st Place: Fitness Challenge T-Shirts, 1 Free Personal Training Session, MRC Guest Passes and Premium Fitness Class Gift Certificates
- 2nd Place: Fitness Challenge T-Shirts, MRC Guest Passes and Premium Fitness Class Gift Certificates
- 3rd Place: Premium Fitness Class Gift Certificates

This semester we will be providing free waist, hip, and weight measurements. An extra 300 “Minutes” will be awarded to team members who improve their measurements and/or lose weight, at the end of the Challenge. *You will be notified of the specific dates for measurements.

Special Notes:

- Recreation Center membership is not required to participate.
- Times may not be backlogged after one week.
- You may only log “Intentional Exercise.” This includes additional physical activity BEYOND the Activities of Daily Living. For example: exercise at a fitness center, continuous brisk walking, running or hiking (not to and from the parking lot, shopping, sightseeing etc.), playing a game such as basketball or volleyball, exercise video workouts or attending fitness classes (Zumba, Kickboxing, Spin, Yoga, etc.). Any other activities in question, please ask.
- Participants will receive weekly emails with the team standings from the Fitness Challenge Coordinator.
- Additional info about the Fitness Challenge will be posted on the website.
- If you have any questions please contact Heather Smith at wyatt6@marshall.edu or 304-696-3653, or Kayla Dodd at dodd18@marshall.edu or 304-696-2943.

The next issue of We Are...Marshall will be distributed Jan. 22, 2014. Please send any materials for consideration to [Pat Dickson](#) by 9 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 21.