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# WE ARE... MARSHALL®

The Newsletter for Marshall University

October 2, 2013

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## Marshall couple to serve as grand marshals Saturday

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On a chilly autumn day in 1966, Ben Hale stood at midfield in Fairfield Stadium attempting to plant a kiss on his dream girl, who had just been crowned “Miss Marshall” before a huge homecoming crowd. But, “she pulled away, saying I would mess up her make-up,” Hale, who was her escort onto the field, recently reminisced.

The kiss on the field may have gone awry, but luckily their relationship didn’t, because today the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hale – she’s the former Jan Jenkins – and they have been married for 46 years with two daughters and three grandsons. And on Saturday, Oct. 5, they’re returning to Huntington to serve as grand marshals of the 2013 Marshall University homecoming parade.

The parade begins at 10 a.m. in downtown Huntington on 4th Avenue in front of the Cabell County Courthouse. It continues east to 12th Street where it turns right, then travels one block over to 5th Avenue. It then turns left on 5th and continues to Joan C. Edwards Stadium at 20th Street.

Marshall plays its homecoming football game at the stadium at 2 p.m., taking on the University of Texas at San Antonio.

The couple is thrilled to serve as grand marshals, because, according to Ben Hale, “We had the time of our lives at Marshall.” The Huntington natives met in the ninth grade when Jan Hale, who attended West Junior High School, was invited to dances at Cammack Junior High, which Ben Hale attended.

Growing up in Huntington, Ben Hale, now a senior partner at Smith and Hale LLC in Columbus, Ohio, spent a freshman semester at another college before joining Jan at Marshall, where she was an art education major. He quickly became the quintessential “Big Man on Campus,” excelling academically, athletically and socially. He graduated at the top of his class with a B.B.A. in Management, ran track, played football and was an active participant in Greek life as a member of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity.

Jan Hale recalls her days at Marshall as a happy whirl of activities. “I hardly had time to study, I was having so much fun,” she said with a laugh. “Since I was a ‘townie,’ so many of my friends were at Marshall as well. We still keep in touch, go to the beach together and have reunions.”

Both Hales are always eager to get back to their Huntington roots. Ben Hale makes a concerted effort to stay connected to many former high school and Marshall classmates who remain close friends.

“We’re looking forward to reuniting with old friends and family members during the upcoming homecoming festivities,” Jan Hale says.

Jan Hale was a popular figure on campus as well, taking part in numerous activities. Before she was elected “Miss Marshall,” the PKAs named her their “Dream Girl.” Ben Hale and his fraternity brothers built the float on which Miss Marshall 1966 and her court rode, which was bannered with the slogan, “PKA’s Dream Girl.” The only thing that marred that perfect day for the Hales was Marshall’s 35-15 loss to the University of Louisville.

The couple married in August 1967, shortly after they graduated, and headed for Columbus, Ohio, where Ben Hale had been accepted into The Ohio State University Law School. He joined Smith and Hale right after graduation in 1970 and has remained with the firm since that time. Jan Hale taught art in area schools for several years. Today the couple lives in New Albany, Ohio, close to their daughters and grandsons.

To date the homecoming parade has approximately 50 units signed up, but there will be more coming, according to Jordan Wooldridge, chief of staff for the Marshall University Student Government Association and one of the parade organizers. Along with marching bands, Marshall fraternities, sororities and other organizations, local businesses and groups such as Little Victories, there will be appearances by Huntington Mayor Steve Williams, Marshall President Stephen J. Kopp and the current Miss West Virginia, Miranda Harrison, a Marshall student.

“We are still accepting applications for anyone who wants to be in the parade,” Wooldridge said. “We want to have as many groups as possible participate, so we’re encouraging groups to apply.”

Applications can be found online at [www.marshall.edu/sga](http://www.marshall.edu/sga).

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## Oktoberfest program to take place tomorrow evening

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**Munich's Oktoberfest:  
Separating Fact From Fiction**

**Video and Presentation on One of the  
World's Oldest Annual Festivals**

Dr. Christopher Dolmetsch

7 pm -Thursday, October 3, 2013  
Shawkey Room, MSC

Light Refreshments Served!\*  
(\* Sorry, but no beer!)



“The Munich Oktoberfest: Separating Fact From Fiction,” will feature Dr. Christopher Dolmetsch, professor of modern languages, at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3, in the Shawkey Room of the Memorial Student Center.

The program will begin with a 25-minute video introduction to the Oktoberfest, followed by a presentation on various contemporary aspects of the festival, including music, clothing, food and naturally, the beer. There will also be mention of some of the issues and problems faced today by a 16-day festival that draws approximately 7 million visitors annually.

Light refreshments will be served.

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## INTO Marshall Center grand opening set for Oct. 10

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**INTO GRAND OPENING  
& RIBBON CUTTING**

Thursday, October 10, 2013  
3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

INTO Marshall Center  
Marshall University Campus  
304-696-INTO (4686)

Representatives of INTO Marshall University and Marshall University will conduct a grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new INTO Marshall Center from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10, on the Huntington campus. All members of the Marshall University community are invited, and no RSVP is necessary. Refreshments will be provided.

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## College of Health Professions dean elected board member of respiratory group

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Dr. Michael Prewitt, dean of the College of Health Professions, has been elected to serve as a board member for the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care, which is sponsored by the American College of Chest Physicians.

Prewitt has served as a site visitor for the commission for more than 20 years. He will be the first non-physician representative from the organization to serve on the board, according to Tom Smalling, executive director of the commission.

“Becoming a member of the board will allow me to learn more about the accreditation process after the site visit has been conducted,” Prewitt said. “This can only strengthen the goals and objectives we have for our departments within the College of Health Professions and for the university as a whole.”

Smalling said that as a non-physician, Prewitt will provide a “unique insight.”

“(He) has the appropriate credentials and demonstrates a strong involvement in respiratory care,” Smalling said.

Darcy Marciniuk, president of the American College of Chest Physicians, said Prewitt has been a member of the organization since 2000 and an elected fellow since 2001. With his extensive experience in the industry, Marciniuk said, Prewitt was a natural choice for the position.

“Prewitt has an impressive background in respiratory care, from his involvement as director for the respiratory care program at University of Missouri-Columbia for over 20 years to his continued participation in our organization,” Marciniuk said. “Being the first non-physician representative to sit on the board for the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care, he will bring something new to the table.”

As a long-time member of the American College of Chest Physicians, Prewitt will provide input based on the perspectives and experiences he’s gained during his 13 years with the organization. Prewitt said he will travel to Bedford, Texas in November for the first board meeting to officially begin his four-year term.

Since 2000, Prewitt has been a member of the Allied Health and Respiratory Care American College of Chest Physicians NetWorks and currently serves as Vice Chair of the Allied Health NetWork section. As a commission board member, he will be eligible for two consecutive four-year terms.

## Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine hosting traveling art exhibit

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The Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine is hosting the traveling art exhibit, “Opening Doors: Contemporary African American Academic Surgeons,” in the lobby of the Marshall University Medical Center on the campus of Cabell Huntington Hospital. The art will be on display until Nov.2.

The exhibit tells the stories of four pioneering African American surgeons and educators who exemplified excellence in their fields and believed in the importance of mentoring younger physicians and surgeons. Other academic surgeons from around the country also are featured in the exhibit.

“We are so pleased to offer this free exhibit to our community,” said Dr. Shelvy Campbell, assistant dean for diversity at the SOM. “I encourage visitors to our medical campus to take a moment and enjoy the remarkable stories brought to life on these panels.”

The Opening Doors exhibit has been traveling to medical schools and academic medical centers since 2007. It was developed and produced by the National Library of Medicine and the Reginald F. Lewis Museum of Maryland African American History and Culture, Baltimore, Md.

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## Spin-a-thon at Marshall to raise money for charity

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Erin Hickok, a personal trainer with the Marshall Recreation Center, is hosting a Spin-a-thon to raise money for her charity, Team Healthier Generation.

“Spin for a healthier generation” is Thursday, Oct. 10, and includes two spinning sessions – the first one at 7 p.m., and the second one at 8 p.m., both at the recreation center. Members and non-members are invited to participate in one or both of the sessions.

Hickok is training to run in the New York Marathon, which takes place Nov. 3. In conjunction with training for the marathon, she is also running to raise \$3,500 for Team Healthier Generation, a charity aimed at ending childhood obesity.

For Hickok, the purpose of her training is not so much about running the New York Marathon as it is helping the Huntington community and her home state end an issue that is much larger than just one marathon. While Team Healthier Generation is helping her accomplish her personal goal of running a marathon, it also is helping her accomplish her ultimate goal, which is to help end childhood obesity nationwide.

All proceeds go directly to her charity. To participate, register at the Welcome Desk of the Marshall Recreation Center. The cost is \$15 per person to participate, and any additional donations will also be accepted at that time.

Hickok can only receive cash and checks made payable to “Alliance for a Healthier Generation.” There will be prizes as well as free bottled water for all who participate.

For more information, contact Hickok at [hickok@marshall.edu](mailto:hickok@marshall.edu).

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## Fall Career Expo to take place Oct. 9

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Career Services will conduct its annual Fall Career Expo from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 9, in the Memorial Student Center’s Don Morris Room.

The expo is open to all Marshall students, faculty, staff and alumni. Recruiters will be sharing information on part-time, full-time and internship positions.

More than 90 employers are expected to have recruiters at the event, representing the areas of customer service, IT/computer science, health care, media sales, engineering, insurance/financial services, corrections, retail management and many others. A continually updated list of employers planning to attend the Career Expo is available at <http://www.marshall.edu/career-services/events/careerexpo.html>.

Denise Hogsett, director of Career Services, said students are encouraged to dress professionally and come prepared with multiple copies of their resumes. Hogsett said even if students are not looking for a job, attending the expo presents an excellent networking opportunity.

This fall’s Career Expo is expected to be one of the largest in recent years. Debby Stoler, assistant director for development and outreach, said, “We are excited about the number of companies attending the Expo this fall. We should have over 90 tables occupied, the most we have had for the last couple of years. New and growing businesses are providing good employment opportunities for our students and alumni.”

Leading up to the event, the “Resume Doctor,” Senior Career Counselor Mirek Bialk of Career Services, will be reviewing resumes for students from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 1-2 in the Memorial Student Center lobby.

Career Services also will hold an open house from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Oct. 7, for resume review, tips on networking, and free printing of business cards and copies of students’ resumes. No appointment is necessary. Students may also call Career Services for an appointment to create or review their resumes with a career counselor.

For more information about the event, contact Stoler at ext.6-6679 or stolerd@marshall.edu or the Career Services front desk at ext.6-2370 or career-services@marshall.edu.

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## “Created Equal” film screenings, reception to take place Oct. 14-16

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The first two films in the “Created Equal” program will be shown on Marshall University’s Huntington campus beginning Oct. 14.

Marshall University is one of 473 institutions across the country awarded a set of four powerful documentary films (“The Abolitionists,” “Slavery by Another Name,” “Freedom Riders” and “The Loving Story”) as part of the “Created Equal: America’s Civil Rights Struggle” grant, an initiative of the National Endowment for the Humanities that uses the power of documentary films to spark public conversations about the changing meanings of freedom and equality in America.

On Monday, Oct. 14, the Emmy-nominated PBS mini-series, “The Abolitionists,” will be shown in the Drinko Library Auditorium, Room DL 402, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

On Tuesday, Oct. 15, the powerful PBS documentary, “Slavery By Another Name,” will be shown in the Drinko Library Auditorium, Room DL 402, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Both screenings are free and open to the public, and the community is encouraged to attend.

On Wednesday, Oct. 16, Dr. David J. Trowbridge, director of the African and African American Studies program at Marshall and Burnis Morris, Carter G. Woodson Professor of Journalism and Mass Communications, will lead a facilitated discussion with special guest Sylvia Ridgeway, the president of the West Virginia Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, in the Drinko Library Auditorium, Room DL 402, from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m.

Ridgeway, a lifelong Huntington resident and Marshall alumnus, was honored by Huntington Herald-Dipatch as the Citizen of the Year for 2012 for her work as the driving force behind the NAACP in West Virginia.

The facilitated discussion will be immediately followed by a public reception with beverages and light refreshments provided by the MU Libraries in the Drinko Library Atrium, giving students, faculty, staff and the community an opportunity to interact and have informal chats about the importance of civil rights in the U.S.

The Marshall University Libraries will offer additional Created Equal programming to celebrate African American History Month in February, including public film screenings of “Freedom Riders” and “The Loving Story.”

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## Rec Center to sponsor ‘Big Pink Volleyball’ tournament Oct. 19

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“Big Pink Volleyball,” a tournament featuring a bright pink volleyball measuring four feet in diameter, will be played Saturday, Oct. 19, at the Marshall Recreation Center.

The event will benefit St. Mary’s Path to the Cure, a foundation that is operated locally and raises money to prevent and treat breast cancer.

The tournament is similar to one played at Western Illinois University, which has raised nearly \$100,000 and sparked breast cancer events at more than 15 colleges and universities across the United States.

Participants must form a group with at least four players and register prior to the tournament at the Recreation Center Welcome Desk, or at the Big Sandy Superstore Arena during the Path to the Cure race packet pick-up on Saturday, Sept. 28.

There also will be an opportunity to sign up on race day at the Rec Center tent. The cost to participate is \$5 and must be paid by cash or check made payable to the Campus Rec Club. T-shirts also will be available for purchase for an additional \$10 for short sleeves and \$13 for long sleeves.

Four different categories of teams will compete. They are Student Clubs/Organizations, Residence Halls, Business-Corporate, and Independent. The last day for teams to sign up is Monday, Oct. 14.

“Marshall Rec Center is putting on this event to help bring awareness to breast cancer through a positive and active volleyball tournament,” said Dan Belcher, event coordinator for the tournament. “The challenge of playing with such a large ball will also add to the fun!”

A captain’s meeting is planned for Thursday, Oct. 17, at either 5 p.m. or 8 p.m. Attendance is mandatory for all team captains and the tournament schedule, including game times, will be given out at the meeting.

All proceeds raised will be given to Path to the Cure during halftime of Marshall’s home football game against UAB on Nov. 9. There are several sponsorship opportunities available including T-

shirts and signage at the event. For more information, contact Michele Muth at [pallante1@marshall.edu](mailto:pallante1@marshall.edu) or ext/6-2943 or Belcher at [belcherd@marshall.edu](mailto:belcherd@marshall.edu) by Friday Oct. 11.

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*[Click to view complete tournament flyer.](#)*

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## Classified Staff Council election results announced

The Marshall Classified Staff Council held an election Sept. 17 to 20 in order to fill several vacant positions. The results of that election are as follows:

EEO 10 – Tanya Ramsey, Finance  
EEO 40 – Rebecca Lusher, Facilities Planning  
EEO 50 – Jason Baldwin, Accounting  
EEO 50 – Nicole Perkins, Admissions  
EEO 60/70 – Donna Megquier, Physical Plant  
EEO 60/70 – Remains Vacant  
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These new Classified Staff Council members will serve until June 30, 2015.

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## Annual Security and Fire Safety Report released

The 2013-14 “Annual Security and Fire Safety Report” is now available on the Marshall website at [www.marshall.edu/disclosures/securityreport](http://www.marshall.edu/disclosures/securityreport).

A printed copy of the report is available by calling the University Police Department at ext.6-4357.

The “Annual Security and Fire Safety Report” contains information regarding campus security and personal safety including topics such as crime prevention, university police law enforcement authority, crime reporting policies, fire safety polices, disciplinary procedures and other matters

of importance related to security on campus. The report also contains information about fire statistics in MU residence halls and crime statistics for the three previous calendar years concerning reported crimes that occurred on campus; in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by MU; and on public property within, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus.

This information is required by law and is provided by Marshall University.

Printed copies of most federal disclosure reports may also be requested from the Office of University Communications at ext. 6-7153.

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The next issue of We Are...Marshall will be distributed Oct. 9, 2013. Please send any materials for consideration to [Pat Dickson](#) by 5 p.m. Monday, Oct. 7.