Marshall hosting annual summer health science institute for West Virginia ninth graders

Marshall has welcomed 65 rising ninth-grade students from around the entire state of West Virginia this week for its annual Health Science and Technology Academy (HSTA) Summer Institute, "Fun with Science."

The institute began Sunday and will continue through Friday, July 13, on Marshall’s Huntington campus.

HSTA is a partnership among numerous units of West Virginia University, Marshall University, West Virginia State University, the West Virginia Rural Health Education Partnership, the West Virginia Area Health Education Centers and many Appalachian communities. The program brings racial and ethnic minority, rural and/or low-income students and their teachers to Marshall each summer for laboratory, classroom and enrichment activities. Then, during the public school year, the program provides the infrastructure and support for community-based science projects mentored by teachers, scientists, health professions students and community volunteers.

HSTA institutes are offered each summer at West Virginia State University and West Virginia University, in addition to Marshall’s College of Science.

All HSTA students are members of HSTA Clubs in 26 counties throughout the state. The students participate in HSTA Club learning experiences, after regular school hours, from ninth to 12th grades. Clubs are administered by local governing boards and are generally held at high schools around the state. All HSTA students must attend two summer institutes. Students coming to the summer institute at Marshall were recently selected as new HSTA students, who will all start their club meetings in the fall, when schools start. Consequently, this is the students’ first HSTA experience.
Once students have successfully completed their HSTA Club requirements from ninth to 12th grades, notices are sent to public universities across the state, notifying admission offices that they are qualifying HSTA Scholars and are eligible for the HSTA tuition waiver, as legislated. A student is provided with eight semesters of undergraduate tuition with the HSTA waiver. Marshall University also honors the graduate waiver for majors in health, science and technology; provides a partial waiver for medical school; and makes a waiver allowance in the School of Pharmacy.

“This summer, we are celebrating the 25th HSTA anniversary. The MU HSTA Summer Institute has proven to be a life-changing experience for nearly all students attending this summer camp, enriched by HSTA teachers from around the state, many Marshall faculty scientists, the MU School of Medicine, the School of Pharmacy and much more,” said Maurice Cooley, Marshall’s associate vice president for intercultural affairs and a HSTA summer institute planning director. “Our chief director, Dr. David Cartwright, along with his team, has nurtured a slate of intellectual offerings and enrichment experiences to include microbiology labs; learning coding technology for new computer games; interactive learning with medical, pharmacy and other STEM scholars; and many fun-filled social learning experiences.”

Cooley added that thus far, 100% of HSTA students have attended college and graduate with baccalaureate and advanced degrees at an extraordinarily high rate.

For further information, contact Cooley by e-mail at cooley@marshall.edu.

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Photo: Participants in the 2017 HSTA summer institute posed for a picture on Marshall’s Huntington campus.
Marshall community mourns benefactor Chris Cline

The Marshall community is mourning the death of Marshall supporter and donor Chris Cline, who was killed in a helicopter crash July 4.

"The entire Marshall community is in disbelief and shock over the sad news of this tragic accident that took the life of a prominent Son of Marshall and so many others," President Gilbert said. "Our hearts are heavy. Chris's generosity to our research and athletics programs has made a mark on Marshall University and our students for many years to come. I am praying for his family."

A mining executive known for his philanthropy, Cline was a Beckley native and former Marshall University psychology student. He first contributed $5 million to establish an endowment to support new faculty and scientists in the Marshall University Sports Medicine Institute. That $5 million was doubled by a match through the West Virginia Research Trust Fund’s "Bucks for Brains" program.

Cline later contributed another $3.5 million to the Vision Campaign—the first major fundraising effort undertaken by Marshall Athletics and the Big Green Scholarship Foundation.

In recognition of his generosity, the university dedicated the Chris Cline Athletic Complex in 2014. The facility features a 120-yard indoor football practice field, as well as a 300-meter track and field oval, the Chad Pennington Hall of Fame, the Buck Harless Student-Athlete Academic Center and the sports medicine institute.

When asked at the dedication about the roots of his generosity, Cline said, "It’s your home state, it’s your family, it’s what you grew up with. You learn that these people are your family, no matter where you move to in life afterwards.

“So, everybody in this state contributed to me getting started and making it in life and I’ll probably never be able to pay them back.”

“Chris Cline was a true Son of Marshall,” said Athletic Director Mike Hamrick. He was not only a personal friend of mine, he was a friend of Marshall and Marshall Athletics.
With the naming of our Chris Cline Athletic Complex to honor his generosity, his dedication to our university and our student-athletics will live on. He was so proud of the complex and was so excited the day we dedicated it. I sure know Marshall University Athletics will miss Chris, as will I. He was a vital part of our Athletics family.”

“Chris was a friend of mine and of Marshall University,” said Gary G. White, Board of Governors member and former interim president of Marshall. “What he accomplished in the coal mining industry was nothing short of amazing. He started working for his father (a small-contract miner) and rose to be one of the titans in the industry. Notwithstanding his success, he never forgot his humble beginnings.”

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*Photo:* The late Chris Cline speaks at the dedication of the Marshall athletic complex bearing his name.

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   2. Direct Deposit Change Form.
5. Print and complete form as requested.
6. Forward completed form to the Payroll Office (Old Main 203).

E-mail the Payroll Office at payroll@marshall.edu with any questions.

Special Collections will be closed July 18-19.

All other departments in Morrow Library will be operating under normal hours.

For additional information, please contact the Special Collections Department at 304-696-2343.
LeeAnne Torres, M.D., has been named Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine’s Resident of the Month for July, announced Paulette S. Wehner, M.D., vice dean for graduate medical education at the school.

“Orthopaedics is among the most competitive residency positions to obtain in the United States,” Wehner said. “With only 14.7% of the orthopaedic residents throughout the United States being female, we are truly pleased to honor our first female orthopaedic surgery resident as Resident of the Month. She has set the bar high for all residents. Her many nominations spoke of her exceptional clinical skills, vast knowledge of the human body and her ability to persevere amidst the many challenges she has faced with dignity, skill and resourcefulness. It is also an honor to recognize Dr. Torres for her hard work, demonstrated care, compassionate nature and for having her patients’ best interest in mind at all times.”

Torres is completing her fifth and final year of the orthopaedic surgery residency at Marshall. The Texas native completed an undergraduate degree at the University of Notre Dame and earned her medical degree from Texas A&M Health Science Center. After completing her residency in June 2020, Torres will enter the sports medicine orthopaedic fellowship program at Wake Forest School of Medicine. The one-year program will prepare her for an academic career in orthopaedic sports medicine, specializing in shoulder, elbow, hip, knee and foot/ankle care.

“We are very lucky to have Dr. Torres as one of our residents,” said Matthew Bullock, D.O., MPT, associate residency program director. “She exemplifies strong leadership skills as evidenced through her work ethic, attention to detail, and eagerness to learn. She sets the standard for our younger residents to live up to. We congratulate Dr. Torres on a job well done!”

Torres and her husband, Israel, have an eight-month-old daughter, Aurelia. As part of her recognition as the July Resident of the Month, she received a plaque and designated parking spot.
Photo: LeeAnne Torres, M.D., (left) July Resident of the Month at Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, is pictured with Matthew Bullock, D.O., associate residency program director for orthopaedic surgery.

Save the Date
Friday, September 13, 2019

Join us to celebrate the dedication of
Stephen J. Kopp Hall
School of Pharmacy Academic Building
Corner of Charleston Avenue and Hal Greer Boulevard
Huntington, West Virginia

Reception to follow.
Marshall Dentistry offers teeth whitening discount for employees

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Marshall Dentistry and Oral Surgery is offering 30% off its in-chair whitening services for Marshall Health, Marshall University and Cabell Huntington Hospital employees now through Aug. 31, 2019. Tooth discoloration or staining can be caused by food and drink, bad habits, medications, genetics, advancing age and/or trauma. Professional whitening is a fast, easy way to enhance your smile. Our dental team uses Opalescence® Boost whitening gel to remove years of discoloration in one visit. This service is performed in our office without the use of lights or lasers. To schedule an appointment, call 304-691-1247.

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Athletic training students present research at national convention

Students from Marshall University contributed their research on a national level at the National Athletic Trainers’ Association (NATA) Clinical Symposia and AT Expo held June 24-27 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

NATA, the professional membership association for certified athletic trainers, welcomed students from the university’s athletic training programs to give presentations to conference attendees. The students’ presentations covered a wide range of topics from head injury to performance anxiety.

Representing the post-certification athletic training program, Jacklyn Bascomb, of Fort Collins, Colorado, presented her thesis project, “Assessment of Performance Anxiety in Stage Actors.”

From the Professional Master of Science in Athletic Training program, the following students presented research to the convention:

- Caitlin Gale, of Huntington, presented a poster titled “Linear Impact Magnitudes Across Division III American Football Players.”
- Levi Roberts, of Huntington, presented a poster titled “Impact Frequency and Magnitude as a Risk Factor for Head Injuries in College Football Players.”
- Sarah Tracey, of Mount Vernon, Ohio, gave a peer-reviewed oral presentation titled “Disordered Eating Behaviors and Body Image Factors Influencing Body Mass Index in High School Athletes.”
- Kathryn Waddell, of Summersville, West Virginia, presented a peer-reviewed poster presentation titled “Hemiplegic Migraines in a Female Collegiate Basketball Student-Athlete.”

For additional information about the Marshall University athletic training department, please contact Dr. Gary McIlvain, Ed.D., ATC at mcilvain2@marshall.edu or visit www.marshall.edu/athletic-training.

Photo: Caitlin Gale poses with the poster she presented at the National Athletic Trainers’ Association event last month.
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