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WE ARE... MARSHALL®

The Newsletter for Marshall University

December 18, 2019

Marshall awarded \$1.5 million from Maier Foundation; gift will boost aviation program



West Virginia-based Maier Foundation, a non-profit, charitable corporation, has generously contributed \$1.5 million to Marshall University, to assist in development of the university's aviation program scheduled for take-off in Fall 2021.

Marshall President

Jerome A. Gilbert made the announcement yesterday.

"We are grateful to the Maier Foundation for its significant gift which will aid in the construction and equipping of a new academic building for our program at Yeager Airport in Charleston," Gilbert said. "I want to thank everyone at the Maier Foundation, particularly Brad Rowe, for their dedication to higher education in West Virginia and specifically their support of inventive programs like aviation."

Brad Rowe serves as the president of the Maier Foundation.

"The Maier Foundation is pleased to continue to support Marshall University and its programs," Rowe said. "Our hope is that this grant will help address the need for more commercial pilots while also creating a positive impact on the regional economy."

It's estimated that over the next three decades, 87 new pilots will need to be trained and ready to fly a commercial airliner every day in order to meet the country's demand for air travel. When in full operation, Marshall's flight school is expected to enroll more than 200 students and produce some 40 commercial pilots annually.

In addition to the Maier Foundation, Gilbert thanked Nick Keller, director at Yeager Airport, and Director Brent Brown at Tri-State Airport for their support of Marshall's new aviation programs. Tri-State is expected to host a two-year aviation maintenance program being developed by Marshall and Mountwest Community and Technical College.

The aviation maintenance degree program, also supported by the Robert C. Byrd Institute, will allow students to earn the joint degree in addition to their Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) certifications in airframe and powerplant maintenance (A&P). Aviation mechanics are responsible for inspecting the entire aircraft including instruments, gauges, landing gear, pumps, valves, pressurized areas, etc. The degree program is currently in development and still has several steps and approvals to complete before it is finalized. The start date has not yet been announced.

Important Notice for Time Clock Plus Managers

Due to Marshall's holiday schedule, TCP managers will need to enter and approve clock out times for Thursday and Friday, Dec. 19 and 20, in TCP by **5 p.m. Wednesday, December 18, 2019**. TCP will then close the payroll period at 5 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 18, 2019, to allow adequate time to generate the paychecks for the Jan. 3 pay date. **Failure of management to complete the entering and approval of these hours may result in a delay of payment for hours worked on Thursday and Friday.**

If you have any questions please e-mail them to payroll@marshall.edu. Thank you for your attention to this matter. Happy Holidays!

Rec Center to offer free access Dec. 30-Jan. 12



The Rec is here to help you start the year out the right way with **FREE access to the facility**. Marshall University and Mountwest employees and their household members are all welcome! Present a valid staff ID to set up a guest account to get a head start on those New Year's resolutions! * This is for non-members only!

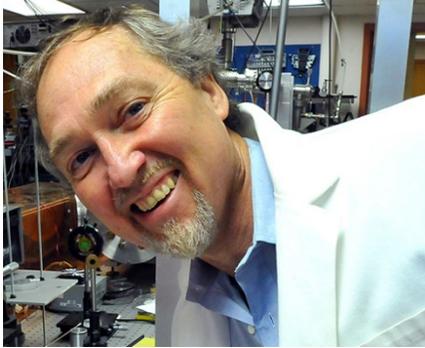
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The Marshall Rec Center is offering 2 weeks of free building access to Marshall and MCTC faculty/staff and their household members from Monday, Dec. 30, through Sunday, Jan. 12.

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facility. Marshall University and Mountwest employees and their household members are all welcome! Present a valid staff ID to set up a guest account and get a head start on those New Year's resolutions! * This is for non-members only!

Faculty Achievement: Dr. Thomas Wilson



Dr. Thomas E. Wilson, professor of physics, presented invited seminars on Dec. 4 and 5, titled “THz acoustic phonons for quantum computing,” to the [Pritzker School of Molecular Engineering](#) of the University of Chicago, and to the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at the University of Illinois at Chicago, respectively. Wilson’s host at U-Chicago was Professor [Tian Zhong](#), who focuses on developing nanoscale photonic and molecular (e.g. rare-earth-ion doped crystals) technologies for building quantum hardware to realize an efficient, scalable “[Quantum Internet](#)”. Wilson’s host at UIC was [Professor Michael Strocio](#), a renowned expert on [phonons in nanostructures](#).”

Hill matches to Walter Reed in national military match



Gregory S. Hill, a fourth-year medical student at the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, has matched into a military residency program at one of the nation’s top military health care facilities.

Hill, a native of Chatham, New Jersey, successfully matched into the Otolaryngology – Head & Neck Surgery Residency program at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center in Bethesda, Maryland. Hill earned his bachelor’s degree in biochemistry from Washington & Lee University in Lexington, Virginia, and will graduate with his Doctor of Medicine from Marshall University in 2020.

He was commissioned as an U.S. Army officer in April 2015 and awarded the F. Edward Hébert Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship. In July, he will begin a five-year residency program, where he will train at renowned military and civilian institutions such as Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, Children’s National Hospital, and M.D. Anderson Cancer Center. After completion of his training, he will serve service members and their families as an Army otolaryngologist, treating medical and surgical conditions of the head and neck.

The military match is the armed services equivalent of the civilian National Residency Matching Program (NRMP), which announces its residency matches in March annually.

June Harless Center partners with Dollywood Foundation for age-appropriate book program



The June Harless Center has partnered with the Dollywood Foundation with a long-term goal of ensuring that every child in West Virginia, birth to age five, has access to age-appropriate books prior to entering school.

The June Harless Center relaunched the WV's Imagination Library program in 2018, expanding into six additional counties. Kids aged 0-5 can now be signed up to get a free book by mail every month. The Imagination Library is more than just a feel-good program: the body of

evidence on early brain development shows the importance of reading to young children. Dolly Parton's Imagination Library changes lives.

"We intend to combat the literacy crisis by delivering books directly to the homes of children," said Brandie Turner, early literacy specialist in the June Harless Center. "WV's Imagination Library allows us to do that, immediately and at a very low cost – less than \$3 per child per month. YOU can give the gift of reading by sponsoring a child for just \$25, which covers an entire year."

Learn more by visiting www.marshall.edu/juneharless/imaginationlibrary.

The next regular issue of *We Are...Marshall* will be distributed January 8, 2019. Please send items for consideration to WAMnewsletter@marshall.edu by 5 p.m. January 6, 2019.

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