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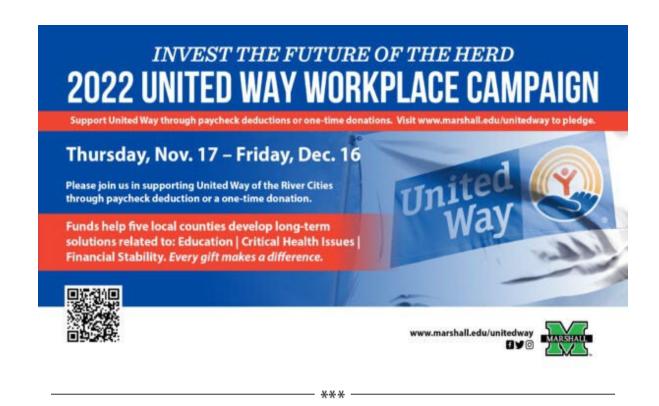
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The Newsletter for Marshall University Faculty and Staff

December 14, 2022

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## School of Medicine announces new clinical trial for new technology in meniscus repairs

**DECEMBER 12, 2022** 

The Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine is accepting applicants for a prospective randomized trial launching this fall that compares nanoscopic and standard arthroscopies for treatment of meniscus tears.

Nanoarthroscopy is performed through a needle scope, known as a nanoscope, instead of traditional portals and incisions. The goals of the randomized trial are to determine whether the more minimally invasive approach of the nanoscope improves patient outcomes for partial meniscectomies as well as fully evaluate return to play and return to work after surgery.

"We have developed several nanoscopic techniques at Marshall and have been pleased with the minimally invasive nature and positive impact on our patients. This trial is the next step in that research," said Chad D. Lavender, M.D., orthopaedic surgeon at Marshall Health and assistant professor in the department of orthopaedic surgery at the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine.

Lavender has completed more than 100 procedures to date using the nanoscope.

Marshall is currently recruiting 100 patients for the study. All patients under the age of 60 with a meniscus tear are potentially eligible to participate at the surgeon's discretion. Participants will be randomly equally divided between two groups, one using nanoscopic technology for the surgery and the other using standard arthroscopy. Surgeries will be performed at Cabell Huntington Hospital.

Participants will attend regularly scheduled study visits with Marshall Health physicians for ongoing assessment. To schedule a consultation or for more information about the clinical trial, please call Marshall Orthopaedics at 304-691-6710.

Marshall is one of the first centers in the country to research nanoscopic technology and one of two sites chosen for this type of clinical trial. Arthrex, who distributes the nanoscope, provided partial funding of the study.

Study 1926751-2 has been approved by the Marshall University Institutional Review Board #1.

## Prevention Empowerment Partnership seeking donations for its 3rd annual Holiday Card Project

**DECEMBER 12, 2022** 

The Prevention Empowerment Partnership (PEP) is seeking monetary donations from the local community in hopes of reaching their goal of raising \$2,100 to support the efforts and goals of their 3rd annual Holiday Card Project. The Holiday Card Project focuses on 75-100 Cabell County youth of middle school and high school age, who are often left out of typical community-giving events, and over 400 Cabell County seniors who are in nursing homes or homebound.

Over the past several weeks, PEP has distributed card-making supplies to local community partners who have identified youth to make cards for the seniors. Additionally, PEP staff and volunteers have held numerous card-making workshops at local community centers.

PEP is hoping to purchase 100 \$20 gift cards and four \$25 gift cards for youth. The goal is to provide a \$20 gift card to each youth who creates at least four cards. The holiday cards will all be entered into a competition for the top four cards in categories including most creative, best design, most sincere and best card overall. The four winners will receive a \$25 gift card.

"This project is important to our community and our youth because it allows youth to give back, while also allowing them to receive a gift of appreciation," Angela Saunders, director of PEP, said. "Our youth and their contributions are valued, and your gift can help us demonstrate that to them. This isn't a grant-funded project; this is a community project that will benefit two vulnerable populations, our seniors and youth."

PEP is a collaborative committee of community-based organizations and community leaders, under the financial umbrella of the Marshall University Research Corporation, that partner to increase access to prevention services for youth and families in Cabell County and throughout the state of West Virginia, where appropriate. Through its partnerships, subcommittees and workgroups, PEP provides technical assistance, capacity building, community outreach, evaluation and training for all types of prevention to empower youth to deal with the drug crisis and effect positive change in their communities.

To donate by mail, a check can be mailed to PEP, attention: Angela Saunders, Marshall University Applied Engineering Complex, One John Marshall Dr., Huntington, WV 25755. Please make checks payable to The Marshall University Foundation, Inc. (you **MUST** put "PEP Fund 218106" on the memo line). To donate in person, please call Saunders at 304-552-3528 or utilize PEP's secure drop box at Marshall's Memorial Student Center.

For any questions, please e-mail Saunders at **saundersa@marshall.edu**.

To learn more about PEP, visit **pepwv.org**.

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### Payroll announces closing date for TimeClock Plus

**DECEMBER 5, 2022** 

Due to the holiday break, TCP will be closing on Monday, Dec. 19, at 10 a.m., for the Dec. 30 check. Managers will need to have all the time their employees worked (12/3-12/16) put into TCP and approved in TCP by 10 a.m. on Dec. 19.

If any adjustments are needed, please e-mail the payroll office (<u>payroll@marshall.edu</u>) and we will adjust these accordingly. Thank you for your assistance in this matter, and Happy Holidays.

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### Marshall Health welcomes Proano, Heyward to pediatric care team

**DECEMBER 12, 2022** 





Board-certified pediatricians Sebastian Proano, M.D., and Alicia Heyward, D.O., have joined Marshall Health. Proano sees patients in the pediatric intensive care unit (PICU), and Heyward sees patients in the neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) of Hoops Family Children's Hospital at Cabell Huntington Hospital, a member of the Mountain Health Network. Proano earned his medical degree at the Universidad del Azuay in Cuenca, Ecuador. He completed his residency at Elmhurst Hospital at Icahn School of Medicine in Mount Sinai, New York. Heyward obtained her medical

degree from the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine in Lewisburg, West Virginia. She completed a pediatric residency at Marshall University and a neonatal-perinatal medicine fellowship at University Hospitals Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital in Cleveland, Ohio. Both also serve as assistant professors at the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine.

## **Application period underway for Sarah Denman Faces of Appalachia Fellowship Award**

DECEMBER 7, 2022



Applications are now being accepted for the Sarah Denman Faces of Appalachia Fellowship Award\* for the 2023–2024 academic year. The deadline for submissions is **December 31**, 2022.

The purpose of this fellowship award, sponsored by the Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Gender in Appalachia (CSEGA), is to promote scholarship on gender, race, and/or ethnicity in Appalachia. The fellowship is awarded annually to a full-time Marshall University faculty member. The Sarah Denman Faces of Appalachia Fellow, who is selected by the CSEGA Advisory Board and announced at the annual spring faculty meeting, receives a \$3,000 cash award. Fellows present their scholarship to the Marshall community in the spring of their fellowship year (spring, 2024).

#### **Application Process**

Marshall faculty members interested in being considered for the fellowship award should submit a professional vita along with a 1-2 page abstract of the proposed project. Please include a statement that clearly defines the scope of your work and explains how the fellowship will assist you in your research. **The research must emphasize gender, race, and/or ethnicity in Appalachia** and may be a new project or a continuation of a project already underway.

Please send application materials by email to Mary Thomas at <a href="mathchar:">mthomas@marshall.edu</a> by **December 31, 2022.** The award winner, as well as other applicants, will be notified early in the Spring 2023 semester.

For additional information about the Sarah Denman Faces of Appalachia Fellowship Award, contact Lori Thompson, assistant professor, at <a href="mailto:thompson39@marshall.edu">thompson39@marshall.edu</a>.

\*This award is funded by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

#### Coronavirus Statistics:

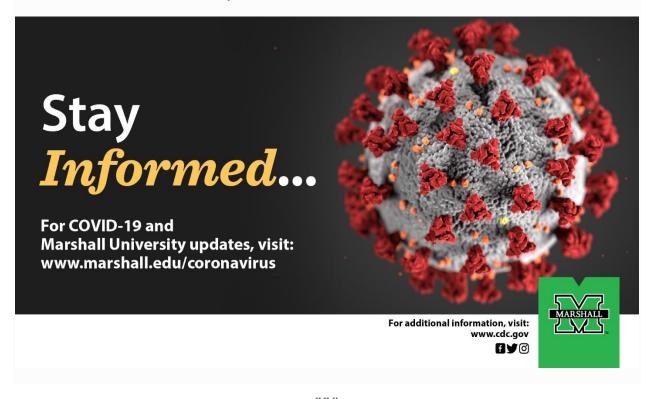
New Cases Since Nov. 30, 2022

Students: 0 Faculty: 0 Staff\*: 0

\* Includes auxiliary employees (Sodexo, Aetna, Rec Center, etc.)

All testing is being done in partnership with Marshall Health, Cabell Huntington Hospital, Pleasant Valley Hospital, QLabs Inc. and MedExpress Urgent Care.

The most recent information is always available at <a href="www.marshall.edu/coronavirus/dashboard">www.marshall.edu/coronavirus/dashboard</a>.



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