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WE ARE... MARSHALL®

The Newsletter for Marshall University
Faculty and Staff

April 5, 2023

Marshall to host annual Student Research and Creativity Symposium, nationally acclaimed guest speakers

APRIL 5, 2023

STUDENT RESEARCH & CREATIVITY SYMPOSIUM
Friday, April 7th and Saturday, April 8th

Dr. Stephen Baylin
Johns Hopkins University
Friday, 8:30-9:30am
MSC, Don Morris Room

Dr. Jean Watson
Founder and Director
of the Watson Center
Science Institute
Friday, 12:15-1:45pm
MSC, Don Morris Room

**Dr. Linda Parsons and
Dr. Lisa Pinkerton**
The Ohio State University
Friday, 3:45-4:45pm
MSC, Don Morris Room

John Kopchick
Professor, Molecular
Biology
The Edison
Biotechnology Institute
Saturday, 9:00am
MSC, Don Morris Room

Dr. Roderick Dashwood
Texas A&M University
Saturday, 12:00-1:30pm
MSC, Don Morris Room

Dr. Steven H. Sheingold
Director of the Division of
Health Financing Policy,
Department of Health
and Human Services
Saturday, 4-5pm

All students, staff, faculty and community members are welcome!
For more information, visit: bit.ly/MUResearchCreativitySymposium

Marshall will host its annual Student Research and Creativity Symposium on April 7 and 8 on its Huntington campus. The event is aimed at showcasing undergraduate and graduate student work across the university, while hosting high caliber guest speakers from across the United States.

The goal of the symposium is to showcase student work, contribute to the growth of Marshall as a research university, and show how student accomplishments can have an impact on the economy and quality of life of the surrounding intellectual and business community. A total of 118 oral presentations, poster sessions and artistic performances will be held.

The symposium's list of guest speakers includes the following presenters, who will speak in the Memorial Student Center in the Don Morris Room. All guest speaker presentations are free and open to the public.

Friday, April 7

- **8:30-9:30 a.m. – Dr. Stephen Baylin, The Sidney Kimmel Cancer Research Center at Johns Hopkins – “Origins and Functions of Abnormal DNA Methylation and Chromatin in Cancer”**

- **12:15-1:30 p.m. – Dr. Jean Watson, founder and director of the Watson Caring Science Institute** – *“Caring Science and Transpersonal caring theory: Guide to education, practice, research leadership”*
- **3:45-4:45 p.m. – Dr. Linda T. Parsons, associate professor at The Ohio State University and Dr. Lisa Pinkerton, assistant clinical professor at The Ohio State University** – *“The Synergy of Artistic and Traditional Research Methodologies: A Conversation”*

Saturday, April 8

- **9-10 a.m. – Dr. John Kopchick, professor of molecular biology at Ohio University** – *“The Intersection of Basic Science, Drug Development & Pharmaceuticals or Growth Hormone, Mini-Mice, Football, Dirty Shorts, and a New Drug”*
- **12:15-1:30 p.m. – Dr. Roderick Dashwood, director, Center for Epigenetics & Disease Prevention, Texas A&M University** – *“Eat That! Immunoepigenetic Targeting of Your Genes”*
- **4-5 p.m. – Dr. Steven Sheingold, director of the Division of Health Financing Policy, Department of Health and Human Services** – *“The Role of Health Research in Health Policymaking”*

“Our guest speaker lineup includes several world-renowned professionals and researchers,” said Dr. Philippe Georgel, director of Marshall’s Office of Undergraduate Research. “We are delighted that they accepted to present their work on our campus, exposing our students, faculty, staff and visitors to aspects of research that are not commonly discussed here. More specifically, we will have two experts in epigenetics who will discuss the importance of this aspect of regulation of gene expression in the context of cancer, as well as links between diet and health.”

Georgel says he hopes community members take the opportunity to attend the symposium to learn more about the academic and research world.

“We often have invisible barriers between the local communities and universities or other educational institutions,” said Georgel. “The symposium offers a unique opportunity to eliminate these boundaries and allows us to welcome the entire community to share our research and creative activities and demonstrate the enthusiasm and quality of our students and mentors.”

Marshall University President Brad D. Smith will give a welcome address at start of the two-day event Friday at 8 a.m.

For a complete schedule or for more information, visit <https://www.marshall.edu/undergraduate-research/student-research-and-creativity-symposium>.

The symposium is sponsored by the Marshall University Research Corporation, the Higher Education Policy Commission, Biochemistry and Cell Biology, Canadian Science Publishing and the Erickson Foundation.

Peckham named outstanding faculty member with Hedrick Award

APRIL 5, 2023



Dr. Rachael Peckham, professor of English at Marshall University, has been selected as the university's Dr. Charles E. Hedrick Outstanding Faculty Award winner for 2022-2023.

Peckham will receive \$5,000 through a grant from Charles B. and Mary Jo Locke Hedrick. The award is named in honor of Charles Hedrick's father, Charles E. Hedrick, a former history professor and later chair of the Graduate Council, and one of the founders of Marshall's graduate program.

Marshall's Center for Teaching and Learning today announced the Hedrick Award and three others honoring five faculty members. They are:

- **Marshall & Shirley Reynolds Outstanding Teacher Award:** Dr. Jill Trefitz, an associate professor of English in the College of Liberal Arts.
- **Pickens-Queen Teacher Award:** Dr. Timothy Bryan, assistant professor of accounting and legal environment, Lewis College of Business; Dr. Mehdi Esmaeilpour, assistant professor of mechanical engineering, College of Engineering and Computer Sciences; Dr. Megan Marshall, assistant professor of English, College of Liberal Arts.
- **The Council of Chairs Award for Excellence in Teaching:** Dr. Laura Stapleton, instructor of mathematics, College of Science.

Here is a look at the awards and the winners:

Charles E. Hedrick Outstanding Faculty Award

This award recognizes a full-time tenured or tenure-track faculty member who has a minimum of seven years teaching experience at Marshall and has a record of outstanding classroom teaching, scholarship, research and creative activities.

Dr Rachael Peckham has been teaching at Marshall since 2009, when she joined the English department. She also served as a guest faculty member in 2017 for the West Virginia Wesleyan College's low-residency Master of Fine Arts program. She specializes in teaching writing courses such as creative nonfiction and literature courses such as Women Writers and American Literature since 1914.

“As a teacher, Dr. Peckham is both popular among students *and* known to maintain scholarly rigor and high standards in her classes,” said Dr. Allison Carey, chair of the Department of English at Marshall. “Her students—undergraduate and graduate alike—consistently win awards and publish the writing which has been shaped by Dr. Peckham’s mentoring. English majors and M.A. students seek out Dr. Peckham as a mentor, because they know she will inspire them to produce their best work. Students that Dr. Peckham has taught (or mentored) go on to publish in literary journals, are accepted to prestigious graduate programs (including, most recently, Yale Divinity School), and win national writing awards.”

“Dr. Peckham’s class was organized, productive and focused on the course objectives,” said Dr. Kelli Prejean, associate professor of English and associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts, who observed one of Peckham’s classes during the award application process. “... Dr. Peckham has an excellent rapport with students, and students obviously respect the creative and professional activities in which they are engaged.”

“Dr. Peckham really goes above and beyond,” said one of her students in a course evaluation. “Each of her lessons was interesting and actually made me excited to go to class each day. If anyone asked what I thought about taking one of her classes, I would tell them to do it immediately.”

“Dr. Peckham is the best professor I’ve had at Marshall!” said another student.

Peckham earned her B.A. from Hope College in Holland, Michigan; her M.F.A. from Georgia College and State University in Milledgeville, Georgia; and her Ph.D. from Ohio University.

Marshall and Shirley Reynolds Outstanding Teacher Award

This award includes a \$3,000 stipend, and all tenured or tenure-track faculty members who have completed six or more years of service at Marshall are eligible.

Dr. Jill Treftz has been teaching at Marshall since 2009. She teaches both undergraduate and graduate literature courses, ranging from science fiction to British romantic poets to Sherlock Holmes.

“Jill Treftz comes alive in a classroom,” said Dr. Laura Michele Diener, associate professor of history and one of Treftz’s colleagues in the College of Liberal Arts. “I’ve been lucky to have witnessed her teaching on multiple occasions, both in her own classes and as a guest in mine, and each time, I come away dazzled and delighted. She possesses a flair for drama, a warm eloquence and an infectious charisma that energizes students.”

“Dr. Treftz consistently uses her scholarship to reinvigorate her teaching and to benefit her students,” Carey said. “[Her] scholarship on Victorian women poets was recognized by a John Marshall Scholar Award ... her scholarship [is still ongoing] to compile an edited collection of this poetry ... Meanwhile, Dr. Treftz brings such cutting-edge scholarship into her classes and guides her students (undergrads and grad students alike) as they do their own original research.”

“Dr. Treftz is highly knowledgeable about the information that she teaches,” said one of her students in a course evaluation. “She provides ample context that gives us additional information and makes it easier to connect with, and be interested in, the texts we read for class.”

Treftz earned her B.A. from the College of Wooster in Ohio and her M.A. and Ph.D. from Penn State, all in English.

Pickens-Queen Teacher Award

Each of these three award winners receives a \$1,000 stipend. The award honors outstanding junior faculty. All faculty members teaching on a full-time, tenured or tenure track appointment who have completed one to five years of service at Marshall are eligible.

Dr. Timothy Bryan has been at Marshall since 2019, when he was hired as an assistant professor of accounting in the Lewis College of Business.

“Tim’s background as a professional CPA enhances his teaching effectiveness,” said Dr. Jean Price, department chair for accounting and legal environment. “In class, he shares examples from practice; students appreciate the sneak peek of what the ‘real world’ is like ... Students find him very approachable.”

Bryan has B.A. and M.S. degrees in accounting from the University of Southern Indiana, and his D.B.A. from Jacksonville University in Florida.

Dr. Mehdi Esmaeilpour, assistant professor of mechanical engineering, has taught at Marshall since January 2018. He teaches undergraduate and graduate courses in heat transfer, thermodynamics, design of thermal systems, computational fluid dynamics and finite element method.

“Student success is of [the] utmost importance for the mechanical engineering department, and Dr. Esmaeilpour contributes to achieving this through his lectures/communication skills and personalized attention to students,” said James McIntosh, chair of mechanical and industrial engineering. “... due to his positive attitude and reputation as a teacher, Dr. Esmaeilpour has been called upon to teach new courses that necessitated a fresh course preparation.”

Esmaeilpour earned his B.S. and M.S. in mechanical engineering in Iran, at Mazandaran University and Ferdowsi University, respectively, and his Ph.D. from the University of Iowa, also in mechanical engineering.

Dr. Megan Marshall has taught at Marshall as an assistant professor of English since 2017. She also has served as coordinator of composition since 2020.

“Dr. Marshall is an exemplary teacher and mentor,” said Carey. “I’ve seen how frequently students seek her out for mentorship or to chair their M.A. capstones ... I know that under her guidance, students who take her how-to-teach English courses (at both the undergrad and graduate levels) go on to become successful professional educators.”

Marshall received her B.A. in English from the University of Southern Maine, and her M.F.A. in creative writing and Ph.D. in literacy education from the University of Wyoming.

Council of Chairs Award for Excellence in Teaching

The Council of Chairs Award for Excellence in Teaching recognizes teaching excellence in Marshall’s full-time term and temporary faculty. Each fall, members of the Council of Chairs (excepting the School of Medicine) are permitted to nominate up to two candidates from a given department. A \$1,000 cash award is presented each year. Full-time term or full-time temporary faculty with at least two years’ full-time teaching at Marshall University are eligible.

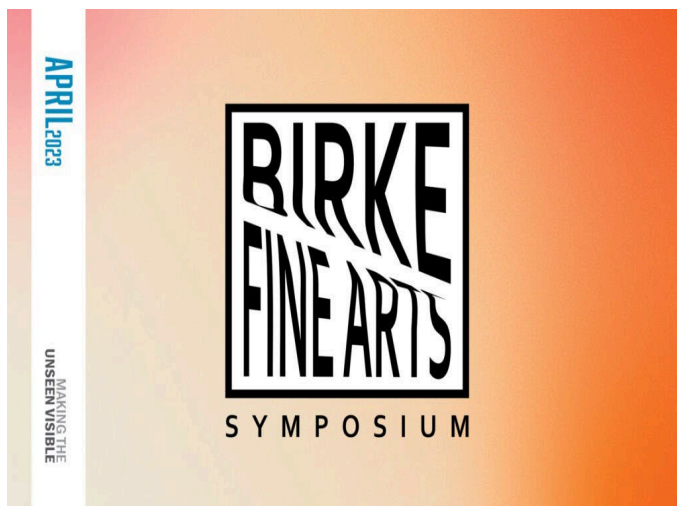
Dr. Laura Stapleton has taught mathematics at Marshall since 1998.

“Laura is an excellent teacher and well-spoken [of] by her students and colleagues,” said Dr. Alfred Akinsete, professor and chair of the department of mathematics. “She is a dedicated and hardworking teacher who is student-centered. I had worked with her on many occasions on curriculum matters and always valued her contributions and expertise. She had made tremendous contributions to the development of the programs in the department, particularly the general education courses.”

Stapleton has an M.A. in mathematics from Marshall and her doctorate in instructional designs and technology from Old Dominion University.

Birke Fine Arts Symposium continues in April

MARCH 28, 2023



The Birke Fine Arts Symposium continues in April with more in the series of events celebrating the theme “Making the Unseen Visible.” All events are free and open to all.

They include the following:

- The Alys Smith Symposium on Women Professionals in Arts and Media: A panel discussion, moderated by Alys Smith with a keynote by Renee Margocee, 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 5, in Room 209 in the Visual Arts Center. Panelists

include Nichole Westfall, Barrie Kaufman, Noelle Horsfield and Hailey Hunter. Reception to follow.

- Naming the Unnamed, Speaking the Unspoken: A Public Reading and Conversation with Neema Avashia and Rahul Mehta on West Virginia, Writing and Otherness, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 13, in the Shawkey Room of the Memorial Student Center. Reception to follow.
- Optimism in Appalachia: Reclaiming Hope through Artworks, Crafts and Poetry, on exhibit through May 5 in Drinko Library.




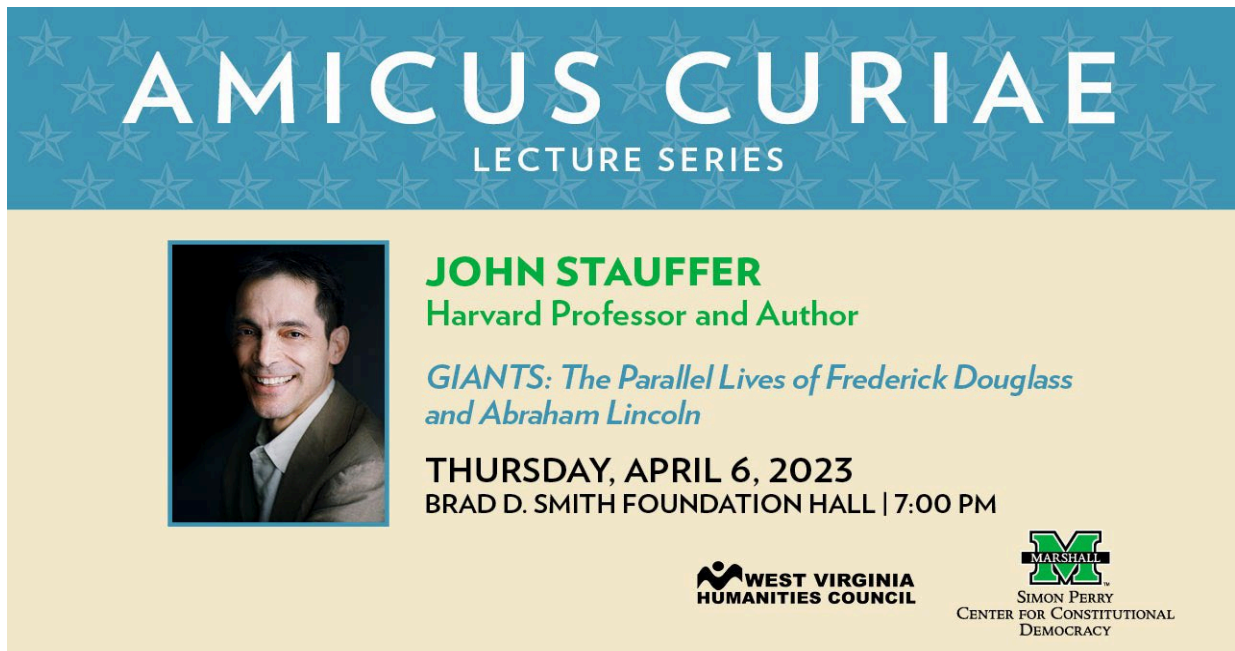
HERD HOME SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, APR 5
BASEBALL VS WVU, 6:00 P.M.
 GOMART BALLPARK - CHARLESTON

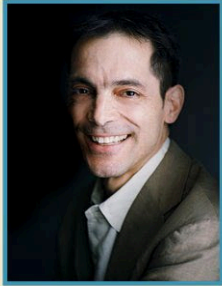
THUR-SAT, APR 6-8
BASEBALL VS LOUISIANA, 6PM/6PM/1PM
 FRIDAY - DISNEY DAY, SATURDAY - SIGNING SATURDAY

SAT-SUN, APR 8-9
TENNIS VS SOUTHERN MISS / SOUTH ALABAMA
 SATURDAY VS USM: 10 A.M. / SUNDAY VS USA: 10 A.M.






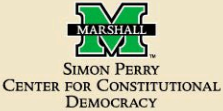
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 LECTURE SERIES



JOHN STAUFFER
 Harvard Professor and Author

GIANTS: The Parallel Lives of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln

THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2023
 BRAD D. SMITH FOUNDATION HALL | 7:00 PM



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Evocaciones

A classical guitar faculty recital featuring
Dr. Júlio Ribeiro Alves,
performing works by Garcia Abril,
Scarlatti, Ponce, and Vespar.

Friday, April 7 • 7:30 pm
Jomie Jazz Center & Performing Arts Center

Free and open to all.



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MU Spring General Faculty Meeting



**TUESDAY, APRIL 11
2 P.M.**

**Don Morris Room
Memorial Student Center**

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2023 CHARLES HILL MOFFAT LECTURE

DR. LESLIE HEAPHY

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF HISTORY AT
KENT STATE UNIVERSITY AT STARK

A JOURNEY THROUGH THE NEGRO LEAGUES

TUESDAY, APRIL 11 – 6:30 PM

SHAWKEY DINING ROOM, MEMORIAL STUDENT CENTER

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC



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Study Stretch: Desk Yoga

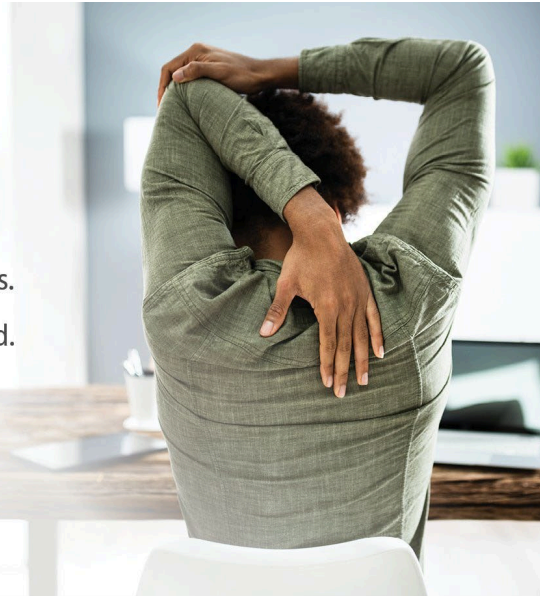
Tuesday, April 11 | 3:30 – 4:00pm

Drinko Library 138

- Learn to use your chair and desk to assist with stress relieving stretches during mini study breaks.
- Come as you are, no mat or special clothing required.

This session will be led by **Diane Palmieri, MLIS**, Staff Librarian. Diane has been teaching yoga in a variety of settings for 18 years. Her specialty is mindfulness in movement and accessibility for all.

Free and open to everyone.



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LIBRARY STRESS RELIEF WEEK

STRESSED OUT? FREE YOUR MIND WITH OUR DIY ACTIVITIES!



**TUESDAY, APRIL 11 -
THURSDAY, APRIL 13**
2:30PM - 3:30PM

Drinko Library Lobby

Maker stations! Visit us each day for a new activity, like DIY buttons, stickers, etc.

Not able to attend? Visit the Study Center's Relaxation Station for a quick massage. There are also links to YouTube videos for guided meditations!



MU PAWS will also visit the library that week. Check with the library main desk for that info closer to the event.

Visit our virtual stress relief kit for more activities and tips:
libguides.marshall.edu/stress-relief-virtual

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*Six awkward spelling champions learn
that winning (and losing) isn't everything.*

The 25th Annual Putnam County
SPELLING BEE

Conceived by
Rebecca Feldman

Additional Material by
Jay Reiss

Music and Lyrics by
William Finn

Book by
Rachel Sheinkin

APRIL 12-15, 2023 | 7:30 PM
APRIL 16, 2023 | 2 PM

Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center

Tickets available at 304-696-ARTS.

\$20 General Admission
\$15 for Seniors 60+ and Employees
Students admitted free with a valid MU ID.



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APRIL 12 - 13 • 9:15 AM-4:00 PM
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NATIONAL MINORITY HEALTH MONTH CELEBRATION

Better Health Through Better Understanding 2023

THURSDAY, APRIL 13
12 PM - 2 PM
MEMORIAL STUDENT
CENTER PLAZA

**THERE WILL BE GIFT CARDS,
PRIZES, AND GUEST PERFORMERS!**

Join us and our partners as we share resources to address health literacy, language access, and more: <https://minorityhealth.hhs.gov/nmhm/>



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A.E. Stringer
Visiting Writers Series
at Marshall University

IN COLLABORATION WITH THE 2023 BIRKE FINE ARTS SYMPOSIUM & HLC QUALITY INITIATIVE

THE A.E. STRINGER VISITING WRITERS SERIES PROUDLY PRESENTS:
NEEMA AVASHIA AND RAHUL MEHTA

THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2023
7:30 PM • SHAWKEY DINING ROOM (MSC)



NEEMA AVASHIA



RAHUL MEHTA

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SAVE THE DATE: SPRING PREVIEW DAY

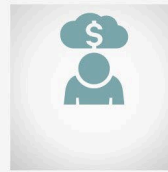
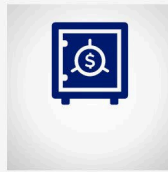
Learn about our flipped classroom, admissions process, career options in pharmacy, student housing, financial aid, and more!

**APRIL 14TH, 2023
STEPHEN J. KOPP HALL**

Event open to all high school and college students
interested in joining our MUSOP pharmily
More information to come!



MONEY SMART WEEK | APRIL 15 - 21, 2023



DRINKO LIBRARY 402 AND SOUTH CHARLESTON LIBRARY VIA TEAMS

APRIL 17-20 | 1:00 PM

WEBINARS

Family Budgeting, Financial Institution,
Debt Relief, Employer Retirement Plans.

APRIL 19 | 10:00 AM

Financial Literacy

Andrea Anderson and Ora Muth
City National Bank

APRIL 20 | 10:00 AM

Investing in Your Future

Sean Hornbuckle
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MARSHALL UNIVERSITY 4TH ANNUAL RAINBOW RUN
HERD GLOW 5K

NIGHTTIME 5K THROUGH THE CAMPUS OF MARSHALL UNIVERSITY

FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 2023

INDIVIDUAL, TEAM, OR
VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION:



OR AT WWW.MARSHALL.EDU/DIVERSITY/5K

PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARD THE DIVERSITY, EQUALITY,
AND INCLUSION STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP



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WVTESOL NETWORKING EVENT

A professional organization for those that teach English as a Second Language

FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 5 PM – 8PM
DRINKO LIBRARY ATRIUM, 3RD FLOOR

Open to all faculty, students, staff and those involved in
the WVTESOL community to provide networking
and collaboration opportunities.

RSVP: Kae Bradley bradleyv@marshall.edu

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DOMINATE DIABETES 5K

APRIL 15TH,
2023

BARBOURSVILLE PARK, SHELTER #8

Fee:
Online - \$20
At Event - \$25

All walkers/runners
get a free t-shirt

Prizes:
For the top 3 male and
top 3 female finishers

Post-race water and
snacks included for
participants

Time: Registration: 9:30 AM | Race Start: 10:30 AM



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**OPERATION
DIABETES**
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Proceeds from the 5K will be
divided between the American
Diabetes Association and the
Juvenile Diabetes Research
Foundation.

Please scan the following QR
code to register for the race.



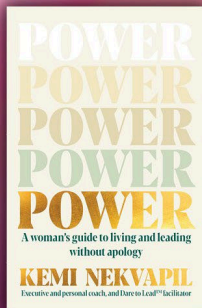
Full Bloom EmPOWERment Retreat

Saturday, April 15th | MSC, Shawkey Dining Room

Join us for a **FREE** retreat!

- Learn how to step into your power by setting healthy boundaries
- Learn about community resources

Guest Speaker: Linda Childers
Book Discussion: Power by Kemi Nekvapil



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Flute Recital

Featuring

Aleksandr Haskin, Principal Flutist of Qatar Philharmonic Orchestra
with Henning Vauth, Marshall University Professor of Piano

SUNDAY | APRIL 16 | 3 P.M.

Smith Recital Hall

Free and open to all.



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THE MARSHALL UNIVERSITY
Chamber Choir

WITH THE WEST VIRGINIA
SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA CHORUS

**MUSIC OF CELEBRATION AND REMEMBRANCE:
AN EVENING OF ENGLISH ANTHEMS**

David Castleberry, Conductor

**SUNDAY
APRIL 16TH
7:00 P.M.**

Johnson Memorial
Methodist Church
5th Avenue at 10th Street,
Huntington

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**MU JAZZ
ENSEMBLE I
IN CONCERT**

MONDAY | APRIL 17

7:30 PM

Smith Recital Hall

Featuring Duke Ellington's
"The Tattooed Bride"

Free and open to all.

Presented by the School of Music in the College of Arts and Media
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AfterMath Lecture

The Department of Mathematics, Marshall University
cordially invites you to a public lecture titled,

Bloom where you are Planted: A Mathematician's Journey

Delivered by

Dr. Bonita Lawrence

Professor of Mathematics, upon her retirement.

Wednesday, April 19, 2023

4:00 PM

Smith Hall, Room 154



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Join Marshall Libraries for a book club

WELL-READ AND UNDEAD

APRIL 19 | 5:00 P.M. | MICROSOFT TEAMS

Marshall's book club, Well-Read and Undead, will be collaborating with CONTACT Rape Crisis Center for Sexual Assault Awareness Month and will discuss *The Luckiest Girl Alive* by Jessica Knoll. (Triggers for sexual assault, drugs, and eating disorders)



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THE SCHOOL OF ART & DESIGN PRESENTS

EMPTY BOWLS 2023

20TH ANNUAL POTTERY SALE FUNDRAISER

Proceeds go to the Facing Hunger Food Bank.

FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2023 | 10 AM - 3 PM

Pullman Square Gazebo in downtown Huntington

\$20 per bowl. Each bowl provides 180 meals for the hungry.

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Marshall set to host Day of Giving April 26-27

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Marshall University alumni and supporters will have an opportunity to make their mark on the university during the second-ever day of giving across two days April 26-27.

Hosted by the Marshall University Foundation, this event is an opportunity for the Marshall family to join together and make a lasting impact on the students of Marshall and to help shape the future of the institution. Beginning at noon on

Wednesday, April 26, Marshall's Day of Giving will feature 36 hours of giving thanks, with stories, updates and interactive elements throughout the event on the Foundation and Marshall University social media feeds and websites.

Marshall University alumni and supporters are encouraged to participate in this transformational day by visiting givingday.marshall.edu.

“Philanthropy is near and dear to my heart,” said Marshall University President Brad D. Smith. “It is an opportunity to give back and support the things we love. On April 26-27, I encourage the entire Marshall family to come together and support our great university on Marshall’s Day of Giving as we recognize those who support our students, our campus and our mission through giving.”

While Marshall has participated in national giving days in the past, this will be the second time the university has set aside its own day dedicated to garnering financial support and highlighting those who give back to the university. The previous day of giving, which took place in October 2021, raised nearly \$80,000 for the university. This year’s goal is \$100,000.

“Setting aside a day dedicated to recognizing those who make a profound impact on our institution through financial support is just one of the ways we can say thank you,” said Dr. Ron Area, CEO of the Marshall University Foundation. “Marshall’s Day of Giving is a great way for members of the Marshall family to make a difference and show their support for the university. Because all gifts, no matter the amount, add up to making a real difference for the students of Marshall.”

Marshall’s Day of Giving comes on the heels of the highly successful Marshall Rises campaign, the largest comprehensive campaign in the history of the university, which concluded last year. Marshall Rises raised more than \$176 million in support of the university, with more than 50,000 gifts recorded during the campaign.

One area most directly impacted in recent years is student support, with more than 500 additional students receiving scholarship aid annually than before the start of the campaign. In total, scholarship aid increased by 44% during Marshall Rises, with \$5 million in scholarship aid awarded annually over the past three years from more than 2,200 privately funded scholarships.

Marshall Rises also generated an unprecedented response from the alumni community and supporters of the university, with one-third of all gifts given during the campaign generated by first-time donors.

Additionally, money raised through this, and other initiatives, has helped shape new programs such as the Division of Aviation, which includes the Bill Noe Flight School and the Aviation Maintenance program, and is helping transform the Huntington campus through the building of a brand-new facility for the Lewis College of Business and Brad D. Smith Schools of Business, which is slated to open in 2024.

Through the financial support of a strong alumni community, Marshall has grown in stature and prestige over the past decade, reflected in the university's designation as a Doctoral University: High Research Activity, or "R2" status, in 2019, and a diverse offering of programs for students.

"In 2021 we broke away from traditional national giving days to create our own special day at Marshall," said Griffin Talbott, program director of the annual fund at the Marshall University Foundation. "We want to use this day to say thank you to all those who make an impact through giving each and every year. At the same time, we want to educate our alumni community and university supporters on how every gift made to Marshall equals real change in the classroom, on campus, in the community and around the world. We hope the Marshall community will join us on April 26 as we give thanks to our donors and encourage you to join that community with a gift of your own."

For more information about making an impact through giving, contact the Marshall University Foundation by phone at 304-96-6264 or visit marshall.edu/foundation.

Machinist Tech program boasts 100 percent job placement rate

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Every 2022 graduate of the Robert C. Byrd Institute's (RCBI) Machinist Technology/CNC Program found employment in the manufacturing sector and each student who is expected to complete the career skills program this spring already has a job.

"The exceptionally high placement rate of our graduates is a testament to their competence and the overwhelming demand for skilled machinists in our state and region,"

said Carol Howerton, RCBI senior strategic advisor for workforce development. "Year in and year out, nearly all – if not all – of our machinist grads find jobs in their chosen fields. We need more students to consider careers in machining. There are good-paying jobs waiting to be filled."

Merle Wooten, owner of Wooten Machine in Huntington, said the ability to find skilled machinist is an ongoing challenge for his company. "RCBI has always been and continues to be a great partner to the industry by producing quality workers," he said. "Most recently we hired three [RCBI] students as interns while they are completing their education. All have demonstrated great work ethic and a desire to learn and grow. We are excited to have brought them on board during their studies and look forward to them continuing employment with us beyond graduation."

In addition to Wooten Machine, RCBI's 2022 graduates and current students are working at manufacturing facilities across the state and region, including American Babbitt Bearing in Huntington; Engineered Profiles in Ironton, Ohio; FLSmidth in Winfield, Industrial Plating & Machine in Bluefield; HPS Co. in Charleston; Huntington Steel in Huntington; JM Precision in Normantown; Liberty Engineering and Machine in Craigsville; ML Dillion Co. in Milton; Micro Machine Works in Vincent, Ohio; Mouldagraph in Nitro; Northrop Grumman Innovation Systems at Rocket Center; Special Metals in Huntington; and U.S. Bearing and Power Transmission Corp. in Scott Depot.

Hayden Plum, a 2022 graduate, said he had multiple job offers but decided to accept a position at Northrop Grumman's facility in Mineral County, which he described as his "dream company," adding "I wanted to thank you guys (RCBI) for being a large contribution to my success."

RCBI's Machinist Technology/CNC Program enables students to earn industry recognized credentials from the National Institute for Metalworking Skills (NIMS) and a career-enhancing associate degree in partnership with Mountwest Community and Technical College. Because the RCBI program qualifies for West Virginia Invests, most in-state students graduate debt free.

Individuals can complete the program in as little as 18 months. New classes begin each August and January. For more information, contact RCBI's Jill Goheen by e-mail at goheen14@rcbi.org or by phone at 304-781-1678.

Photo: Machinist students at RCBI have achieved a 100% placement rate in the most recent class.

TRIO staff attend COE policy seminar

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Marshall University TRIO attended the Council for Opportunity in Education (COE) Policy Seminar from March 19 to 22. They joined over 800 TRIO professionals from across the country to meet with elected officials. TRIO is working to increase funding by \$107 million and increase the number of students served to one million. West Virginia TRIO programs met with Sen. Shelley Moore Capito (R-W.Va.), Sen. Joe Manchin (D-W.Va), Congresswoman Carol Miller (R-W.Va), and Congressman Alex Mooney (R-W.Va).

Federal TRIO Programs are outreach and student services programs designed to identify and provide services for individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds. TRIO projects serve and assist first-generation college students, income-eligible individuals and individuals with disabilities to progress through the academic pipeline from middle school to postbaccalaureate programs. TRIO programs started with the passing of the Higher Education Act of 1965.

Marshall University is unique because it hosts five TRIO projects. TRIO projects at Marshall University include Student Support Services, the Heart of Appalachia Talent Search (HATS) program, Empowering Appalachian Talent Search, Upward Bound and an Education Opportunity Center. Marshall University TRIO serves 2,419 participants and brings in \$1,651,365 annually in federal dollars.

TRIO programs provide career exploration, college readiness, financial aid literacy, academic counseling, cultural enrichment and many other services. These services are free to students. Several TRIO alumni are working at Marshall University today, including Bonnie Bailey, Zachary Jenkins, Cody Call, Beretta Coleman, Katie Lyons, Caylin Bradshaw-France, Camille Collier and Alyssa Hager.

Photo: Members of Marshall’s TRIO programs staff attended the COE Policy Seminar last month.

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