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## Bond counsel named

# Fine arts bonding clears next hurdle

By Vikki Young  
Managing editor

A bond counsel for the West Virginia Board of Regents has been selected by Attorney General Charlie Brown to evaluate the marketplace and to consult with firms about the purchase of \$73 million in bonds, according to President Dale F. Nitzschke.

The bonds are part of the BOR's seven-year plan for capital improve-

ments at state colleges and universities. The Legislature authorized the \$73 million package earlier this year to fund several projects, including the first phase of MU's fine arts facility and \$27.5 million for three projects at West Virginia University.

The fine arts project has been designated for \$10.4 million from the bond issue for the first phase and an additional \$2 million, separate from the bonding project, was appropriated by

the Legislature. Nitzschke said he had no reason to doubt the extra \$2 million will be available for an experimental theater.

"Originally there wasn't enough money for the experimental theater, so plans for the first phase had to be pared down. Now it's back in Phase I because of the extra money, which, I understand, is part of the legislation," Nitzschke said.

Nitzschke described the bond coun-

sel as an "attorney of bonds" who will look for an agency which will purchase the bonds and then sell them. The bond counsel will present the agency's purchasing package to the BOR for approval before the actual selling of bonds may begin.

"There are mountains of paperwork involved with this project. This is big business. We're eagerly awaiting movement, but we also realize the hurdles," Nitzschke said.

## MU intern battles western forest fires

By Paul Carson  
Editor

Although the forest fires ravaging California for the last month have meant tragedy to the Golden State's residents, those same fires have meant opportunity for a Marshall student serving a conservation internship with the National Parks Service.

Carl "Rusty" Vance, Logan senior, spent more than 27 hours in two days battling wind-fed forest fires near Coalinga, Calif., and says he will do it again if he's called.

"You bet I will," he said. "It's good money, I learned a lot, met a lot of people, and it was like a vacation for me."

Vance is spending the summer in Oak Hill, Ohio, working in the Wayne National Forest. His internship is required for his degree, but he said the National Park Service could not afford to carry him on payroll. He said because the internship is worth 12 credit hours toward his degree, he decided to serve as a volunteer.

"On Monday, July 8, two of the officers in our district were called away to fight the fires out West," he said. "Even though I wasn't on our payroll, I could get paid \$6.05 an hour on the fire crews, so I signed up."

But Vance said it took more than just signing up. "To be accepted we had to pass a series of physical tests, and one was our blood pressure," he said. "You might know mine would be too high."

Because of Vance's high blood pressure, he had to run 1.5 miles in 11 minutes and 40 seconds to qualify for the fire crews. He made it in 10:30.

Vance said, "That was on Tuesday, and that afternoon I went on the list to be called if they needed anyone. At midnight that night I got a call and was told to 'pack up, we're leaving in the morning.'"

Vance said from that point on he seldom was told what was going on, where he was going or what he was supposed to do.

"When I was called, they told me I would be going to Idaho," Vance said. "Wednesday morning at 7 a.m. three other guys, a woman and I left Huntington. We flew to Pittsburgh and met some firefighters from Indiana's Hoosier National Forest district, and we all flew to Boston, where we were laid over for six hours while we waited for about 300 more firefighters to gather."

"Then they chartered us a DC 10 and we flew to Sacramento, Calif., after we stopped off in Minneapolis to pick up about 80 more men. We all thought we were going to Idaho. When they told us we were in Sacramento it was the first time we realized where we were. We landed there at 6 a.m. our time, 23 hours after we'd left."

He said lack of communication in the firefighting operation did not stop there.

"The whole time in California, 'hurry up and wait, hurry up and wait,' was all we heard. The first night there we were supposed to stay on the grounds of a community college. But when we got there, there wasn't enough room so they took us to a city park in Coalinga. We spent all day Thursday there, just hanging around and catching up on our rest. Then they sent us back to the community college to sleep. We finally went to the fire scene the next morning."

However, he said the disorganization and chaos were still a problem at the fire scene.

"They came around and gave each of us a mask," Vance said. "They told us we could wear it if we wanted to, but we didn't have to. They never told why we would need it."

"On the way to the fire scene, we went through an area where there was a lot of white powder on the ground and in the bushes. I never thought a thing about it then, but when we got back that afternoon our group was separated from everyone else and told we had been exposed to an asbestos factory."

"They wanted to take everything we had and destroy it, but finally the National Guard came in and did all our

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## Alexander may run for mayor

Dr. Robert P. Alexander, dean of the College of Business and Huntington city councilman, is considering running for mayor in the municipal elections this fall.

"I am considering it," Alexander said Wednesday morning. "I probably won't make a decision until the last minute, though. Right now I'm still testing the waters."

He said the deadline for filing is July 31.

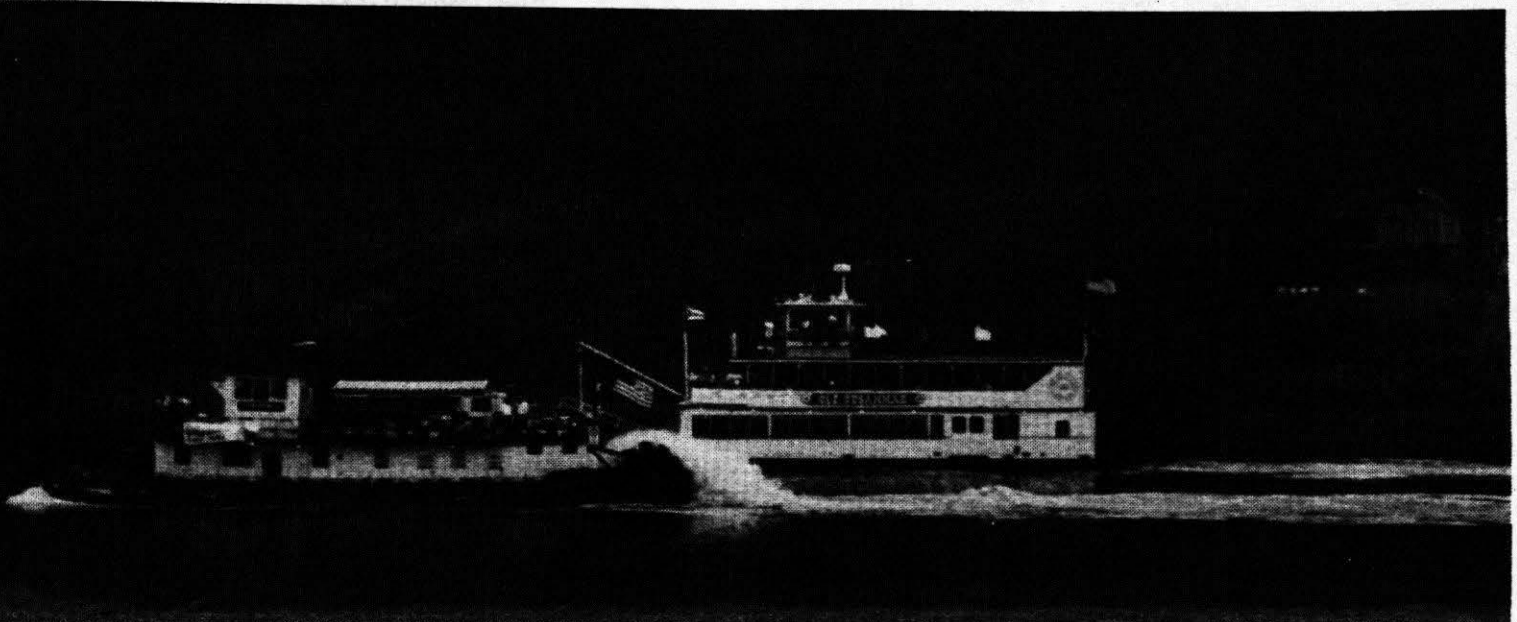
Alexander has been the area G representative on council for four years, under the city's soon-to-be-outdated council-manager form of government. This spring he was re-elected to that seat until the city's new strong mayor charter is implemented this fall.

Alexander said he has already filed for re-election to his council seat under the new strong mayor form of government, which will change his district's designation from area G to area seven. He said five other persons also have filed for the council seat, which would make area seven the most heavily contested district in the city. He said he has filed as a democrat since the new charter calls for candidates to run on a partisan ticket.

## Racing regatta style

The "Virginia" eventually outdistanced the "Ole Susannah" Sunday in the third heat of the Tri-State Fair & Regatta's Stern-wheel Regatta. The speed picks up on the river this weekend with the Huntington Miller Classic hydroplane race on tap. See the impressions calendar on page 3 for information on this weekend's TSF&R activities.

Staff photo by Bryan Pyle



## Fire

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laundry. The foreman in our group took the blame and said he didn't know the asbestos factory was there."

Vance said while some in the group chose not to fight the forest fires the next day because they would still be in the vicinity of the asbestos factory, most, like himself, returned to the blaze.

"I needed the money," he said. "They did have us fill out reports though, so if anyone ever has any ill effects, there is a record that we were exposed to asbestos."

He said Saturday, July 13, was his last day fighting the forest fires, and he stayed on the job for 13 1/2 hours after being on the job for 14 hours the previous day.

"What I did at the fire scene wasn't very hard work," Vance said. "Both days my group worked the fire line. Our job was to make sure there was no fire within 150 feet of the line. That was the only way to fight them. They would cut a fire line all the way around the bottom of a mountain and let the fire burn itself out on that mountain."

"But you wouldn't believe the wind. The gusts were so strong that sometimes the fire lines wouldn't help."

Vance said he was surprised by what he saw. "It wasn't what I expected," he said. "On television all you see are people running around in a panic, being evacuated and losing everything. There wasn't anything like that where I was."

## MU to welcome largest scholarship class

Nine John Marshall Scholarships, the largest number in MU history, have been awarded to the 1985-86 freshman class.

According to Ed W. Miller, director of student financial assistance, nine of the 12 entering freshmen offered the scholarships enrolled at Marshall.

In comparison, in 1984-85, five of the seven scholarships offered were accepted, and six of nine students offered the scholarship in 1983-84 enrolled at Marshall.

"I credit the increase in acceptance rate to putting more effort into recruiting and making more contacts with the students," Miller said.

Miller said some additional funds for the scholarships were freed by graduating and transferring John Marshall Scholars.

Eligibility requirements for the scholarship include a score of 30 or more on the American College Testing (ACT) Composite Score. Miller said this means these students are in the upper one percent of students taking the college admissions. Recipients are selected by the Financial Aid Advisory Council.

The students receive \$1,250 per year renewable for up to an additional three years as long as they maintain a 3.50 grade point average. The awards are funded through endowments from alumni and corporations.

## Athletic Department ends year in black

Once troubled by financial problems, Marshall's Athletic Department ended fiscal year 1984-85 in the black with a net balance of \$127,597, according to Dr. Lynn Snyder, athletic director.

"I am pleased with our year-end financial position," he said. "For the first time our department is in

a position to create much needed reserve funds which should benefit the department."

Snyder credited the elimination of some minor sports two years ago and increased revenues as the main reasons for the department's improved financial standing.

## Interim athletic director may be appointed

Marshall University may find it necessary to name an interim athletic director before a new athletic director is chosen, MU President Dale F. Nitzschke said Tuesday.

Marshall athletic director Lynn J. Snyder announced his resignation June 18 to assume a similar position at Oregon State University on Aug. 1.

Nitzschke said he is considering naming an interim athletic director because Marshall will not be able to name a new A.D. before Snyder is scheduled to assume his OSU post.

"Lynn has been very helpful," Nitzschke said, "but we don't want to impose on him more than we have to."

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**Marshall Catholic Community (Newman Center):** Father Jim O'Connor, Chaplain. 1609 Fifth Avenue across from Corbly. Phone 525-4618.  
Weekly Services: Masses-Sunday 10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Monday & Tuesday 9:10 p.m.; Wednesday & Thursday 4:15 p.m.; Prayer meeting on Thursday 8 p.m. Center Prayer Room, library, and lounge open daily.

**Grace Gospel Church:** Assistant Pastor Lucky Shepard. 1159 Adams Ave. Phone 522-8635.  
Weekly Services: Sunday 10 a.m.; Sunday 6 p.m.; Wednesday 7:30 p.m. Transportation: Church bus.

**First Presbyterian:** Dr. Lynn Temple Jones. Associates Dr. Edward Donnell, Rev. Donald Weiglein. 1015 Fifth Avenue. Phone 523-6476.  
Weekly Services: Sunday College and Career Class 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Worship 10:50 a.m.; Sunday snack supper and discussion groups 6 p.m. Transportation: Call for more information.

**B'nai Shalom Congregation:** Rabbi Stephen Wylan. Tenth Avenue at Tenth Street. Phone 522-2980.  
Weekly Services: Friday 7:45 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m.; Sunday 9 a.m.

**Twentieth Street Baptist Church:** Dr. Neil W. Hoppe. Associate Rev. Joel M. Harpold. 20th Street & Fifth Avenue. Phone 523-0824.  
Weekly Services: Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.; Sunday 7 p.m. Transportation: Call if needed.

**Highlawn Presbyterian Church:** Dr. R. Jackson Haga. 2814 Collis Avenue. Phone 522-1676.  
Weekly Services: Sunday school 9:45 a.m.; Worship 11 a.m.; Sunday Youth Fellowship 6 p.m. (call for location); Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

**Central Christian Church (Disciples of Christ):** Rev. Harold E. Simones. 1202 5th Avenue. Phone 525-7727.  
Weekly Services: Sunday School 9:45 (College Class); Worship 10:40, Youth Meeting 5:00.

**Fifth Avenue Baptist:** Dr. R.F. Smith Jr. 1135 Fifth Ave. Phone 523-0115.  
Weekly Services: Sunday school 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.; Wednesday Supper 5:15 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Transportation: Sundays 9:20 a.m. and 10:20 a.m.

**Norway Avenue Church of Christ:** John W. Miller Sr. Associate Burney Baggett, Campus Minister. 1400 Norway Avenue. Phone 525-3302 (office); Campus Minister 523-9233.  
Weekly Services: Sunday 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday Bible class 7:30 p.m.; Student group Monday 7 p.m. Memorial Student Center 2W37. Transportation: Call 523-9233 for van pick-up points.

**Johnson Memorial United Methodist:** Dr. F. Emerson Wood. Rev. D. Richard Harrold, Rev. Gary N. Shepard. Fifth Avenue and Tenth Street. Phone 525-8116.  
Weekly Services: Sunday 8:45 a.m.; Sunday 11 a.m.

# Impressions

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## MU Theater revives 'Mrs. McThing'

By Vikki Young  
Managing editor

"Mrs. McThing," MU Theater's third and final summer production will be performed tonight through Saturday at 8 p.m. in Old Main Auditorium.

Written by Mary Chase, the comedy/fantasy centers on a wealthy, overprotective mother and her young son who are replaced by "stick figures" by a witch named Mrs. McThing. The play was last done on the Old Main stage in 1964, in fact, the 1985 revival will feature music from the 1964 production.

The play's director, Dr. N.B. East, professor of theater, said he chose the play because "there's a relatively large cast in it and it has a pretty good mix of male and female roles. Also, I've always thought it was clever."

The cast includes two children - David Nitzschke, 10-year-old son of President Dale F. Nitzschke and his wife Linda, plays the role of Boy/Howay and

nine-year-old Elizabeth Bunch plays Mimi.

East said he is amazed by the children's creativity. "Both of the children are eager and interested. They are very enjoyable, bright, intelligent and creative."

"One problem is that I'm not sure how patient I am. I have to keep reminding myself they are young. Sometimes I unconsciously use a word too technical for the children and the rest of the cast points it out to me."

Normally only Marshall students are eligible to be cast in MU plays, however East explained community members are cast in summer productions to compensate for the number of theater students working out of the area.

Community members in the cast are David Cook, Elizabeth Hay, Aaron Searls, Pat Thornton, Steve Hall and Reza Hakimzadeh.

Admission to the play is free for summer school students with validated I.D.'s. Regular admission is \$4.

At right: Poison Eddie, played by David Cook, instructs Howay, portrayed by David Nitzschke, in the fine arts of being a gangster. Below: Laura Phillips as Mrs. Larue and David Nitzschke as Boy

entertain the Lewis sisters, played by Pat Thornton, Raksha Hakimzadeh and Barbara McMackin.



Staff photos by Jeff Seager



## Calendar

Because of potential weather problems, the Charlie Daniels Band concert originally scheduled for Saturday at the David W. Harris Riverfront Park will be at the Huntington Civic Center.

Kings Island trip sponsored by the Student Activities Board is scheduled for Aug. 4. Deadline for the \$9 registration fee, which includes travel and an admission ticket to the park, is Friday. The trip is open to second semester summer school students. Information may be obtained at the SAB office, 696-6770.

The Tri-State Fair & Regatta's Super Summerfest continues at the David W. Harris Riverfront Park 8 p.m. tonight with a Boat Boat race. A water ski show is scheduled for Friday at 8 p.m. and the Huntington Miller Classic hydroplane race will be noon-5 p.m. Saturday.

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**BACK TO THE FUTURE**

1:00-3:15-5:30-7:45-10:00

House call tradition renewed

# Vaccine center benefits families

By Kimberly Harbour  
The Parthenon Staff

Benefits of a \$1.9 million grant the Marshall University School of Medicine received in March to test vaccines developed by the National Institutes of Health will reach beyond the campus, even funding the time-honored practice of making house calls.

"The Center for Vaccine Development is service-oriented. In addition to our research, we play the role of educating parents about the importance of vaccines for the health of their children and educating the community about what viruses are circulating in the region," Julie Bartram, nurse supervisor, said.

Bartram said children ages five and under are recruited for the studies from the Cabell-Huntington Hospital pediatric ward, the John Marshall School of Medicine, pediatrician referrals and by word of mouth from parents who have had children in the program.

"We in no way replace the child's doctor - but work with them," she explained. "In the case of flu vaccinations, for example, our next step after recruitment is a complete physical assessment by their doctor. Once the child is vaccinated we begin a three-year surveillance period during which we will make house calls to check on them if there are any respiratory illnesses reported.

Huntington resident Delores Ward has registered each of her two children, Rebekah, 7, and Laura, 5, in the program and says she has nothing but praise for the center.

"When I've had a question, they've

always been there with the answer," Ward said. "Things which may seem petty to some people are answered with patience and care by the researchers."

Ward said the program has also saved her family a lot of doctors' bills, but then was quick to add that it's the center's staff that keep her and her family coming back.

"When you're working with kids, you have to have a special touch - they (the center's employees) do," She said. "The things they have to do in routine checking, such as taking swabs, can be scary for children, but they've always made my little ones feel right at home.

"They're very good. That seems like very little to say - but it's true.



Photo by Jim Arnold

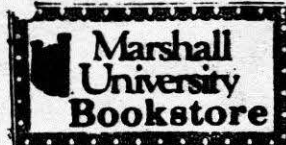
Nurse Carol Berry examines vaccine study participant Jenna Sowards.

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