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With a goal to raise $100 million by 2005, Marshall alumnus Tim Haymaker accepts the challenge to spearhead the Campaign for National Prominence.

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A report on how Marshall's Olympic sports stack up in the MAC, and a look at what additions have been made to the athletic program.

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Dr. Frank S. Gilliam, acclaimed professor of Biological Sciences at Marshall, receives the 2002 Charles E. Hedrick Outstanding Faculty Award.

Tim Haymaker, Chairman of Marshall University's Capital Campaign, challenges all alumni to do their part in helping Marshall achieve national prominence. Photo by Rick Lee.
A MOST SIGNIFICANT GREEN LETTER DAY

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Since my arrival at Marshall nearly three years ago, I’ve been using the phrase, “It’s a Green Letter Day,” when numerous milestones have been achieved.

Some of the milestones include: two new doctoral programs (Education and Psychology), a significant readjustment in the state peer equity funding formula, and major increases in funding support from Washington, D.C. (mainly due to the hard work of Sen. Robert C. Byrd and Congressman Nick Joe Rahall). We ranked No. 3 in America for earmarked funds in fiscal year 2002, which helped us begin construction on a new 1,000-space parking garage, new housing accommodating 500 students by fall 2003, as well as to make important advances in rural health, forensic science, and numerous other areas. Our enrollment stands at the highest ever: 16,038. We will graduate our 80,000th alumnus in the spring of 2003. The Green Letter Days are mounting. Clearly, Marshall University is on the move!

Yet, what about the future? We have formulated an ambitious, proactive plan for 2010: Owning the Opportunity. Bringing that plan to life will take all of us. If Marshall is to remain the Passport to Prominence for thousands of West Virginia and U.S. students, we will need to focus on the most significant Green Letter Day of all: September 21, 2002.

On that date, Marshall will kick off the public phase of our CAMPAIGN FOR NATIONAL PROMINENCE. Our aim, as best described by our capable and energetic volunteer Chairman Tim Haymaker (cover story), is to “put Marshall University up where we belong.”

Our goal? $100 MILLION by 2005! While the vast majority of universities in America define themselves by what they have already done, and some by what they are doing, our aspirations at Marshall are higher. We define ourselves by what we are capable of doing!

For years we have proudly proclaimed, “We are Marshall.” Soon America will proclaim, “They are Marshall.”

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"There has never been a better time for Marshall to be in the national spotlight."

The Guess Who, a rock group that reached its height of popularity some 30 years ago, sang, “I ain’t got...got...got no time.”

Aside from the obvious slang and double negative sentence components, which are the chagrin of many English professors, the writer’s message was clear. The timing was not right for a designated task. Today, however, for a Marshall University capital campaign, the time is exactly right!

From forensic science research to understanding the stock market, Marshall is preparing students to deal with the issues of today as well as those they will face tomorrow. So, in effect, now is the time to raise Marshall’s profile, to bring its attributes forward... to raise it to a new level of service.

The Campaign for National Prominence comes at an excellent time. Our football team received its highest pre-season rating at No. 21 in the country. Academic success in areas such as H.E.L.P., Autism training, Biomedical Sciences, Business, broadcasting, rural education and nursing is bringing an increased awareness of Marshall University.

The campuses reflect new modern facilities...the Drinko Library on the Huntington campus, the Robert C. Byrd Academic Center in South Charleston and the Mid-Ohio Valley Center in Point Pleasant are landmarks to the university’s recent growth. Currently, nearly $100 million in new construction is under development. This includes student housing, a first-time-ever parking garage and the soon-to-appear Biotechnology Science Center.

When, as a child, I received my new school clothes, my mother would say, “Now is a good time for a picture.” When it comes to Marshall, Tim Haymaker, the campaign’s national chairman, agrees. There has never been a better time for Marshall to be in the national spotlight. We must not be like another rock group of the 60s, The Outsiders, who intoned, “Time won’t let me...” Rather, we need to be more like The Rolling Stones who sang, “Time is on our side, yes it is....

With the help of its many friends and alumni, Marshall University is ready to chart its own course. It is prepared to determine its next level and direction. We all need to put our shoulders to the wheel. If we do not take advantage of this moment in time, we could be hearing Willie Nelson’s melody, “Ain’t it funny, how time (and opportunity) slips away...”□

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Tim Haymaker is leading the university's fundraising efforts as Chairman of the Campaign for National Prominence.

Failure Is Not An Option

article by dan angel
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Pineville, West Virginia, where Tim Haymaker grew up, is a small mining town of 900 people, but the budding entrepreneur quickly located a business opportunity there at a small grocery store owned by Mrs. Ann Crews. Mrs. Crews would buy pop bottles from young Tim, which he began collecting for the huge sum of two cents per bottle.

"I would collect bottles from all over the countryside and take them to Mrs. Crews. It was the best deal in town," Haymaker says. "I'll never forget my Dad coming home one day and lamenting that the deposit on pop bottles was going up to three cents. While he seemed disgusted by the news, I was truly revved up. After all, I was getting a 50 percent raise!"

Tim was actually born in Parkersburg, West Virginia because that's the only place that had a hospital in the area. His family lived in Calhoun County, in the center of the state. His father, Harry "Red" Haymaker, drilled gas wells for Cabot Corporation.

Red Haymaker was a native West Virginian and both he and Imogene Burns, Tim's mother, grew up in Calhoun County. Both were part of a farming family and neither attended college. From the time he was four years old through high school, Tim lived in a two-bedroom house that was nearly two miles from his high school. "I had a choice of either riding the bus or walking," Haymaker recalls. "If you rode the bus, they would call the buses out over the loud speaker at school. On the first day, the loud speaker called out, 'CC Camp, Green Camp and Shanty Town.' I thought, 'No, I'm not getting on a bus that goes to CC Camp, Green Camp and Shanty Town.' As the only person who lived in that end of town, I just wouldn't do it. I walked — rain, shine, snow, no matter what. I walked each way because I refused to get on that bus. I thought it was humiliating. Little things like that throughout my life began to form into a basic resolution. I would never allow myself to be in those kinds of embarrassing situations. I would do whatever it took."

That firm resolve, as well as other unpleasant experiences as a youngster, has made Tim Haymaker a very driven person.
Tim’s ties to Marshall can be traced back to his sister Pat who came to Marshall in 1957 and was an Alpha Chi. She married Jim Trent during her sophomore year, and his family was enthusiastic Thundering Herd fans.

“Marshall, Marshall, Marshall was all I heard,” Tim recalls. “I knew at an early age I was going to Marshall. It was the only place I considered.”

During his first semester at Marshall, Tim pledged the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity which became a major part of his college experience as he made numerous lifelong friends. Tim served as rush chairman three times and recalls that they dressed up every Wednesday and wore blazers and red vests. “We were all active in helping one another and for many of us it has been a way of life.”

He became president of Sig Ep his junior year. In addition, he was Greek Week Chairman the last semester of his senior year.

Tim recalls that during his college days some of the most impressive faculty were in the Fine Arts Department.

“I had an art teacher, Mrs. Kilgore, who taught art appreciation. She was wonderful. It was a part of life I didn't know existed. I also had a music appreciation teacher who was outstanding. He would come in, play music for us, and it would rev you up. He would tell us about how you could tell what kind of musical instruments were involved. I truly enjoyed those things.”

Haymaker remembers going to virtually all the football games and never missed a basketball game while in school. “We had a great basketball team back in those days. Our football team didn't win many games, but we always went to the games.”

That habit has been life-long. He has not missed a Marshall Homecoming in 37 years!

Honoring a commitment he had made to his Dad, he graduated in four years with the class of 1969. During the college summer years, he worked at a men's clothing store and also worked as a roustabout on a drilling well. He recalls that, "the well drilling business was really hard manual work and made me determined to succeed in college.”

Tim graduated with a teaching degree but was selected for an interview by Proctor and Gamble. As a result, he got one of the best offers of any graduate in the business school. In a whirlwind fashion he took his final exam on Friday, married Sandy Hill on Saturday, and went to work for Proctor and Gamble on Tuesday. Tim had met Sandy when she was a junior in high school.

“I was there when his English teacher told him not to bother with college...he would never make it,” Sandy recalls. “He wasn’t a motivated high school student. But since his sister and brother-in-law were educators, I assumed he would eventually become a principal. So upon graduation, imagine how surprised I was that he chose a career in business.”

After graduating from Marshall, Tim approached his old high school sweetheart and announced, “I think I’m ready to settle down.”

“Me too,” Sandy replied. The couple was married on July 19, 1969. “It just worked out,” Tim says and then smiles. “It was 33 years in July.”

“The late 60s were rough times,” Tim explains. “I had friends in Vietnam and several didn’t come home. All of a sudden everything just changed for me. I decided I wanted to get serious, I wanted to grow up, and I wanted to be somebody. I went from a hell-raising fool to a grown up in about 24 hours.”

“I quickly learned how motivated Tim was,” says Sandy.
"He made it no secret that his goal in life was to become a success. In fact, several years ago, there was a men’s cologne called 'Millionaire' and three different people gave it to him for Christmas."

The Cincinnati accounting office at P&G was more of a training program and Tim was less than enthusiastic because he was waiting to be drafted. But, Lady Luck smiled on him and his draft number was never drawn.

Tim’s career path at P&G took him from accounting in Cincinnati to sales in Fayetteville, North Carolina where he peddled Pampers diapers and Charmin bathroom tissue. Three years later, after son Andy was born, Tim changed career paths and returned to Huntington to work with fraternity brother Bill Bunch at his real estate company. After son Matt was born, he moved on and worked with fraternity brothers Ken Gainer and John Kirtley at their real estate business in Huntington. However, when the local economy started to show signs of an impending downturn, Haymaker accepted a position at Ashland Oil in its corporate real estate division.

At Ashland, they turned Tim loose. He traveled all over the United States. “They didn’t ask any questions and I worked really hard for them,” he notes. The company had grown a dozen or so times by acquisition. They had accumulated an enormous amount of real estate and wanted to sell a lot of surplus properties. Tim’s job was to sell those properties. He worked hard for eight years making real estate deals and then woke up in a hotel one morning realizing that he didn’t know what city he was in. He decided it was time to go out on his own.

“At that time I worked and I took care of my family,” Haymaker says. “That was it. I did nothing else. I had no hobbies. It was simply time for me to move on.”

Now living in Lexington, Tim knew what he wanted to do – start his own real estate company. His idea was “to hire a secretary and just do deals.” And that’s exactly what he did. In 1989, he formed a commercial real estate company of his own. Soon he and his secretary added one agent, then a property manager and he just kept growing. Currently, Haymaker employs 20 people. There are nine commercial agents in the brokerage division, a property management company, a holding company, several partnerships and an accounting company. "We just kept cranking things up. Eventually, we were doing most of the big deals in town.”

Tim’s fondness for his West Virginia roots can be found in some of the companies he has named. He used to go fishing in Pineville’s Pinnacle Creek and named his first development Pinnacle. He has a holding company called Key Rock, named for a little hollow outside Pineville where his wife grew up. Another of his companies is Castle Rock, named for a gigantic rock that sits along the Guyandotte River in Pineville.

Years later Bill Gatton, a business contact who owned banks and car dealerships across the mid-south and midwest, entered into a deal with Haymaker that would add to
both men's growing fortunes. Haymaker was managing 705 acres of land in Lexington's premier location. Gatton offered to buy the acreage if Haymaker would be the developer.

Tim helped develop a master plan for the property in 1986. "Currently, we're just about out of property," Tim reflects. "We're down to less than 100 acres. Ironically, there will be eight to 10 times more people in this subdivision than live in Pineville."

The real estate development business has been good to Tim Haymaker. He now owns beautiful homes in Lexington, Kentucky, and in Naples, Florida, as well as a cabin in Sadieville, Kentucky. His business mind never quite working. Even Tim admits, "I wear myself out until the end of the day." He gets up at 6:00 a.m., reads the paper, has his coffee, gets on his treadmill, and watches the stock market reports. Currently, he doesn't spend as much time at the office as in years past. But, he has a complete office at his homes in Lexington and Naples: fax machines, computers, etc. "I'm very portable," he acknowledges.

Along with building his business empire, Tim has been involved in giving back to his community. In Huntington, he was active at Fifth Avenue Baptist Church and was president of the local Civitan chapter. In Lexington, he has been a longtime board member and tireless worker on behalf of the Child Development Center of the Bluegrass. He was the founding chair of the Children's Charity Classic, a celebrity golf event which has raised more than $2 million. He also has helped raise money for the Lexington Funds for the Arts, Boy Scouts Council, the YMCA and also serves on the University of Kentucky Business Board of Directors.

It is hard to speak about Tim without mentioning his sons, Andy, 30, and Matt 27. One of the reasons he wanted to quit traveling was because he didn't want to miss many of their activities while they were growing up. He was involved in all their sports activities, junior pro basketball, golf with Andy and fishing with Matt. Andy is now a home builder in Lexington and is building a subdivision in Putnam County called Scott Creek. Matt owns a construction maintenance company.

"Tim speaks with them on a daily basis and I often hear 'Love you buddy' at the end of the phone conversation," says Sandy. "And now, Matt and his wife Stephanie have blessed us with a grandchild, Sean, who has already attended a Marshall University Alumni party at the Haymaker home. Uncle Andy is a die-hard Marshall football fan, and is convinced that Sean's first words will not be 'Mama' or 'Dada' but 'Go Herd!'"

"I have a grandson who is just about a year old," Tim smiles, "and I find I want to be there as a participant as he grows up. The world is a lot different now than when I was young. It seems like there are so many more distractions for young people. I'm at a point in my life where I've changed my outlook. I want to be out there trying to change the world. My grandson sits on my knee and I bounce him up and down and he doesn't think there is any problem in the world. From a financial standpoint, I could just lay back and not be a participant. But I want to. It's satisfying to feel as though you are making life better for your family and other people."

In the spring of 2001, MU President Dan Angel approached Tim with a request that he head up a Marshall University capital campaign.

"You caught me off guard," he recalls telling Angel. "I thought you were coming to ask me for money, not to be the chair. I really had this desire to slow down, so my first thought was, 'I don't want to do this because I won't be able to slow down for five more years.' By the same token, I knew that I probably couldn't slow down anyway and that this was important. I would rather do this more than anything else."

The Marshall fundraising campaign has become Tim's passion. An effort of that magnitude takes not just a commitment from Tim, but the loving support of his whole family. And the Haymakers are behind him and Marshall University 100 percent.

After reflection, Tim resigned membership or leadership from virtually every other board in order to devote all of his spare time and energy to the campaign.

"Of all the things I'd ever done, I realized I'd never done anything significant for Marshall University. I decided it was time. I really wanted to give something back."

Why? The answer goes back to Pineville and his days at Marshall University. The small community was a great place to grow up, but Tim felt confined in his tiny corner of the world and used his pop bottle earnings to make his world bigger. With his profits he bought a transistor radio from Alden's Catalog.

"I would take that radio to bed at night and I would listen
to radio stations all across America. I would listen to WLS in Chicago, WOWO in Fort Wayne, WBZ in Boston, and WLW in Cincinnati. I decided I'd like to see some of those places.

"When I came to Marshall, I realized that I was reasonably driven. There were people at Marshall who actually took me under their wings and made me a person that had the confidence and social skills to become who I am today."

One of these people was one of Marshall's greatest - Dr. Ray Hagley. Hagley, who had true passion for Marshall, was an exceptional doctor and became the alumni advisor to the Sig Eps. During a visit to the fraternity house, where Haymaker was living, he walked into the restroom and saw fungus growing in the shower. "I'm not going in there," Hagley said. He called a fellow doctor friend, Marion Korstanje, and asked him about a place that he had just been remodeling.

"Everything was brand new," Haymaker recalls. "Nobody had ever slept in the beds, showered in the showers. I was excited."

"How much can you boys afford?" Hagley snapped.

"Hagley worked out all the details and we moved into this new fraternity house that felt like a Ritz-Carlton Hotel. So, Ray and I became very close friends and he had a very big impact on me."

Sadly, Dr. Hagley perished in the Marshall plane crash on November 14, 1970. Tim reflects: "I would love for him to know what an impact he had on my life and how much he helped me to 'think big.'"

Talking to Tim Haymaker about Marshall University is like tapping into one of Red Haymaker's gas wells. The gushing memories are significant and warm.

"Sandy and I have been very fortunate. We own several homes and enjoy travelling. But we frequently talk about where people are the most heartfelt, caring and sincere. And it always comes back to West Virginia, Huntington and Marshall University."

"Marshall," Tim says, "instills loyalty and passion in the people that have gone there. Those who don't take advantage of the friendships forged at Marshall University are really missing something. They really need to gravitate back toward Marshall, become involved and enjoy the fruits of their past."

Haymaker speaks of the Marshall capital campaign like a man on a mission. "The state of the economy in West Virginia demands that private funds be raised to support Marshall University," he declares. "Also, the awareness of Marshall University has to be raised because the programs here deserve it. We have superior programs at Marshall such as our Yeager Program. I care significantly about programs like HELP and Autism. We should all be thankful for the dedication of the people at Marshall.

"I frequently say, and it is truly heartfelt, that one of the greatest opportunities in the country is to give to Marshall University, where people go the extra mile and the students are so thankful for the opportunities they get."

"Marshall is a dynamic university. I tell everybody that I talk to that there's more bang for the buck at Marshall than anywhere else I've ever seen. So, a legacy has to be left for Marshall. The institution must pick itself up by the bootstraps and begin to make itself more well known nationally. The nation needs to understand what Marshall has done for itself in the past...and will continue to provide for itself in the future if we have the funding. Marshall was a fabulous institution for those of us who received an education in the past, but needs to be so much more for the next generation. It is up to us to make that happen."

"We've gotten some great publicity in football and Coach Pruett's one of my best friends, but my goals for Marshall University and the capital campaign are not based on football. We must not forget about the educational institution and what it's done for all of us. We must not forget about our students in the future and their many needs. I want Marshall to be given the national credit that it deserves!"

On September 21, 2002, Marshall University will put an end to its two-year silent phase and kick off its public capital campaign: The Campaign for National Prominence.

During the decade of the 1990's, Marshall University raised $33 million in private money. The new challenge? To raise three times the money in half the time: $100 million by December 2005.

Fast forward to September 21, 2002 – the kickoff date for the public portion of the Capital Campaign. Marshall's head prizefighter, a guy with a gargantuan Haymaker punch, stands in the corner of the ring. He is proudly wearing his green and white trunks. He is in prime fighting condition. He is energized. He's hungry with anticipation. He moves toward the center of the ring and one thing is certain...failure is not an option. After all, it hasn't been for Tim Haymaker's entire life.

Dan Angel is President of Marshall University.
In the well-known movie "The Quiet Man," when the character played by John Wayne quietly goes about setting up his new home in Ireland, his neighbors speculate volubly as to what he will do while settling in their town. Along comes an attractive, but vociferous female played by Maureen O'Hara, and fireworks begin. In this very different culture from his American roots, Wayne's character actually fights his future brother-in-law in order to marry the fiery redhead. Eventually, the quiet man wins it all: the bride, the town, respect.

Today, Senior Vice President and Regional Manager of JCPenney Corporation's West Region and Marshall University graduate Ed Howard III compares favorably to the quiet man. Ed, too, is low key by nature and throughout his life has fought his battles with careful determination, using his skill and intellect to bring about his own success and change within corporate America.

Like many a West Virginia native, he is the product of a small mining town. Ed, or "Eddie" as he is called by longtime friends, grew up in Beckley and fondly remembers his childhood days. During those formative years, extra money was scarce and luxuries like going to the movies were not a regular part of life. But he managed to find plenty to keep him busy, despite his hometown's small size. Ed could often be found taking his red and white bike for a joyride or joining his friends from the neighborhood for a long game of baseball or basketball.

While segregation was not a word the boys were formally familiar with, they knew they weren't allowed to swim in the city pool. They knew there were no parks or playgrounds in their neighborhood. So, their baseball games were played in an empty field. To cool off in the summertime heat, the boys headed for their own swimming hole, which was a nearby creek.

Ed would battle the injustice of segregation and racism throughout his education and his career. And, it is no coincidence that decades later, when he became a successful businessman, the first home he bought had its own swimming pool.

The son of a coal miner, Ed was spared the harsh details of his father's difficult job, but he knew it was no life for him. "I can't tell you the details of his working in the mines. He never discussed it," Ed explains. "But, when he came home, he was always covered with coal dust from head to toe. He told me over and over again, 'You do not want to work in the mines.'"

Ed remembers his father as a strict, quiet man who worked hard to support his family. But the
silent and stern-handed approach his father took with him was balanced by the support he showed for his son by always attending his football games. As an only child, Ed Howard learned other life lessons from his mother, Lettie, who worked in the Beckley Hotel heading up housekeeping and working the ballroom activities. Most days she’d work from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., come home long enough to prepare dinner, then return to work until 1 or 2 a.m.

By the time Ed had entered the non-integrated Stratton Junior High, he began to work alongside his mother. “You know, my mother never complained about all those long hours and days. But, as I got older, I thought about how tired she had to be most days. She did whatever was necessary for us to have whatever she felt we should have. Somewhere in those years I began to help. I’d ask, ‘Mom, can I go up and help you?’ And she always said, ‘If you want to, you can. You don’t have to.’”

At first, Lettie Howard allowed Ed to work in the coatroom. Later, he served tables and carried trays. Ed’s work ethic was beginning to take shape. In high school, he worked two jobs. Many nights after football practice he would clean offices, which earned him enough money—with a little help from his mother—to buy his first car, an oil-guzzling, light blue 1946 Chevy. It taught Ed the value of a dollar.

The work ethic his parents instilled is largely responsible for the success Ed enjoys today. It was because of them, and a special high school teacher, that he even considered college. Very few
of his high school classmates thought of going to college.

Ed credits Charles Brown, a high school chemistry teacher, as the person who insisted that you “had to fully achieve your capabilities.” Brown knew the value of education and was persistent. “I knew he would be on my back if I didn’t go to college,” Ed remembers.

Ed knew, simply by watching his parents and others living in Beckley, that a better life was possible if he had a college degree. “My mom had a high school degree and my dad finished eighth grade. They sacrificed so much for me.”


Taking a job pumping gas and washing cars at a filling station on the weekends, he saved half of everything he earned to pay for school. There, he not only would earn the degree that prepared him for his career, but he also earned the hand of the woman he credited with helping him become the success that he is today – his future wife, LaRue.

When he first entered college, his interest was in medical technology. “I loved chemistry and the lab work.” However, with his usual thoroughness, Ed went to the library and investigated future earnings for medical technologists. He said to himself, “I’m not going to college for four and a half years to earn that.”

He then considered the possibility of using his undergraduate degree to go into Human Resources. “I knew I could make far more money in the business world.”

Ed worked various jobs over the next four years to pay his way through school including a full-time job at the Huntington State Hospital and later at a grocery store on evenings and weekends. He began his job at the grocery store as a bagger, moved to stocking shelves, and later became a cashier. His boss was so impressed with the young worker that he “tried his best” to get the company to put Ed into a management training program. But the same injustice that kept him on the wrong side of the fence at the public pool as a child again put up a barrier. Management praised Ed for his effort, but made it clear that, even after he finished college, his best position with the grocery store would be in the meat department.

Social injustice was something Ed had to battle in college as well. Few young blacks aspired to obtain a college education in the early 1960s. Marshall had about 4,000 students then, and blacks were granted admission because of state legislation. Acceptance, though, did not come until later. As one friend of Ed recalls, “There were instructors who accepted your willingness to learn and then there were others who felt that, ‘I don’t care how hard you work, a C is what you get out of my class.’

“Out of the dozen or so black students on campus, most were athletes on scholarships except for myself and a couple of others,” Ed explains. “There was absolutely no social life on the campus for the black students.”

Despite those barriers, his face lights up as he thinks back to that first year on campus. “I really enjoyed myself as a freshman. On weekends I’d finish work and party – sometimes all night long.”

He thinks he would have flunked out had it not been for a certain sophomore who turned his head and his heart. “Without LaRue in my life, I would have failed. She is directly responsible for the change in my college career.”

As a cashier at a grocery store, changing the company’s stand on putting him through management training seemed too daunting a task. But, during his sophomore year he decided to establish a social environment for black students at Marshall. He was one of the founders of Marshall’s chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi, Epsilon Delta. “We weren’t allowed in the other fraternities, so we formed this small group of guys which is still active today at Marshall and across the nation.”

Another sign of the times in the 1960s was the Civil Rights Movement. Leaders such as the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. spoke of racial injustice across the nation. Black students at Marshall became committed to making changes on campus and in Huntington. Ed recalls picketing a movie theater where blacks were only permitted to sit in the balcony. He and others also picketed a restaurant called the White Pantry. Blacks were not told they were unwelcome, they were simply ignored while waiting to be seated.

They enjoyed many successes, but working, studying and fighting for social equality was not easy. Race still plays a role in this country, Ed realizes. But he also knows that if you learn the system well and play by the rules, opportunity will come. He believes if the system is violated for any reason, it loses credibility with everyone. It is something he teaches young people of color who are trying to enter the corporate world.

“You need to know how to dress, how to speak, how not to go in with a chip on your shoulder,” Ed explains. “And you need to know the system well enough to use it to your advantage if you have a valid grievance.”
As graduation from Marshall approached, Ed registered with the placement office for interviews. One afternoon, Marshall Professor Dr. Robert Alexander called and said, "Ed, I'd like for you to take an interview with the JCPenney Company."

To this day Ed is amazed that he was hired since he initially had not prepared for the interview. Ed considers himself fortunate to have been given a second interview. By then he had studied the company, and he was ready to ask in depth questions about the company's future goals. What he learned was that JCPenney's future plans included major expansion into other cities. "Expansion meant more opportunity," he concluded.

Of course, he was hired, and has spent the last 38 years leading the company through much change and growth. Ed's entry into the world of business demonstrates both a philosophy and awareness which began as a young boy in the West Virginia hills. Those who know him say he has a strong sense of discipline, a willingness to learn and adapt, a quiet strength, a reasoned assertiveness and a vision for the future.

Three years into his career with the Huntington store he took a trip to Pittsburgh, home of the company's regional office. There, he met with upper management and, using this insight, asked many questions about store operations.

His knowledge and management style did not go unnoticed by his colleagues. When Ed became one of three black store managers for JCPenney, other district and regional managers commented on how "Ed's store people were so professional in dress and manner, sharp to respond to store actions, and catered to the customer base with their knowledge."

Ed's reputation grew, and he became known as a student of the business who understood what makes stores successful. It wasn't long before his quiet influence grew within the company. As he landed promotion after promotion, JCPenney executives took notice.

Each promotion carried with it different challenges and growth. He went from being a store manager to Regional Merchandising Manager, District Manager, and eventually Director of Geographic Merchandising at the company's corporate headquarters in Texas.

In 1990, Ed was named Vice President and Director of Investor Relations at JCPenney, and a new world of information opened for him. He discovered the working ways of a company, stockholders, Wall Street and analysts. It took just three years for Ed, always a quick learner, to be appointed President of the Southwest Region. In 1996, he became Senior Vice President, Regional Manager West Region.

"Every one of these vastly different positions has pushed me to learn, to stretch myself. I never said no to an opportunity, but at times I thought they had the wrong person," Ed admits.

One of Ed's proudest accomplishments is increased diversity within his company. In 1992, he was able to share his vision when the first Minority Networking Conference took place in New Orleans. National consultants discussed issues ranging from corporate finance and customer demographics to personal development. Wynn Watkins remembers phrases Ed often repeated, such as, "Talent comes in all colors," and, "We must learn to recognize quality individuals who are willing to give above-average results and give them opportunities."

Howard's success and strong work ethic did not come by accident. In fact, three women had a profound role in shaping it. "My mother will always be on a pedestal to me. She made so many sacrifices and taught me so much by example - how to work hard, sacrifice if necessary, and treat people with dignity. I will be forever grateful to her.

"The second woman is my wife, LaRue, who has been the stabilizer in my life. Without her, I would never have finished college. She always gives me the other side and challenges my thinking. She has helped me be more compassionate. We've been married 40 interesting and supportive years."

The third female is his daughter, Gianna. He admits he's been "wrapped around her finger" since the first moment he saw her. Gianna agrees that they have "a special relationship" even as she continues to work in the corporate world in Chicago with her husband and three children.

Fatherhood took on even more meaning for Ed Howard when Edward IV was born.

Ed Howard's journey began in the hills of southern West Virginia. Through quiet, methodical perseverance and a keen understanding of how he could change his environment, he has climbed to the top of his field. Through his work with organizations such as the Executive Leadership Council, Black Retail Action Group, NAACP, National Urban League and many others, he continues to open doors in the business world that once were closed tight to many. This "Quiet Man," too, has won it all. ☑

Patricia Angel is the First Lady of Marshall University.

PHOTO BY LARRY McRALE
The Thundering Herd enters the 2002 season as one of the top-ranked teams in college football.


And this might be the best Marshall football team, yet.

"I'll be surprised if we don't begin the season in the top 20, maybe the top 15," said Marshall coach Bobby Pruett.

Preseason publications are making Pruett look like a prophet, ranking the Herd anywhere from 11th in Playboy to 14th in The Sporting News to 24th in Street & Smith's Magazine.

Sixteen starters, including Heisman hopeful quarterback Byron Leftwich and nine others on one of the nation's most powerful offenses, return from last year's 11-2 team that finished 21st nationally and beat East Carolina 64-61 in the most-thrilling bowl game in years. A quick, athletic defense has another year of experience and kicker-punter Curtis Head leads a strong special teams unit. Optimism abounds.

by Tim Stephens
"We feel like we can be pretty good, if we stay healthy," said Pruett, whose 69-11 record is the best in Thundering Herd history.

Pretty good? At least that. Leftwich, a 6-foot-6, 250-pound senior from Washington, D.C., passed for 4,132 yards last season, not including a 576-yard performance against East Carolina in the GMAC Bowl. He is a rare combination of power and precision. He has the strength to throw 70 yards, and the touch to put the ball on the mark. Leftwich is coming off a season in which he completed 67 percent of his passes (315 of 470) and featured a gaudy 38:7 touchdown-to-interception ratio.

Pruett says Leftwich is better than Chad Pennington, a 2000 first-round draft pick of the New York Jets, better than Danny Wuerffel, the 1996 Heisman Trophy winner, and simply "the best quarterback in the country." Marshall made up more than 1,000 bobblehead dolls promoting Leftwich for the Heisman Trophy.

"I can't believe that," Leftwich said. "I'm ugly enough and now they're going to make my head bigger and uglier."

Leftwich thrives, in great part, because of the men who protect him. Only one of I-A's 117 schools placed two offensive linemen on the Outland Trophy Award Watch List for the nation's premier blockers — Marshall. Left tackle Steve Sciullo is a Playboy magazine All-American. Right tackle Nate McPeek ranks close behind. Center Jeff Edwards is a veteran, as is gritty guard Steve Perretta. Converted defensive lineman Luke Salmons is the only newcomer up front and he has taken to his guard position as if he'd played there all his life.

As targets, Leftwich has what many consider to be the country's best corps of wide receivers. Junior wide receiver Darius Watts (91 catches, 1,432 yards, 18 touchdowns) is considered by many analysts as one of the top three wide outs in college football. Josh Davis set an NCAA record for freshmen last season, catching 79 passes for 961 yards and five TDs. Senior Denero Marriott comes off a season when he caught 56 balls for 800 yards and nine scores. Add in junior tight end Jason Rader, a former part-time starter at Georgia, and the makings of a virtually unstoppable air attack take shape.

"Ooohh, he's good," Leftwich said of Rader, a native of St. Albans, W.Va. "He can get down the field. I'm going to like throwing to him."

Rader simply is another key weapon for an offense that averaged 37.3 points and a league-record 505 yards per game in 2001.

Still, Pruett sees room for improvement.
"I told people three years ago that Byron would make people forget about me. I told them he'd break my records. I never had any doubt about him."

chad pennington

"One of our goals is to run the ball better," Pruett said. "We need to be able to do that to keep people from dropping all those guys into coverage and to keep pressure off our quarterback."

Junior Butchie Wallace (152-796, 9 TDs) and senior Brandon Carey (73-289) are talented. Senior Chanston Rodgers aborted his attempted comeback from a second torn anterior cruciate ligament that sidelined him for all but six quarters last season. Freshman Tank Tunstalle is expected to push the veterans.

The real question isn't whether Marshall can run, but can it stop the run? The Herd blew a 23-0 lead over Toledo in last year's MAC championship game and lost 41-36 because of breakdowns on defense and special teams. Some blamed the adjustment to a new 4-4 defensive scheme, but Pruett didn't. Nor did he go out and sign a few junior college defensive linemen to shore up the front. Instead, he displayed full confidence that his young defense will be much improved this year and will significantly lower the 25.7 points and 416.4 yards per game it surrendered last year.

Marshall has speed and depth at the ends, with sophomore Jamus Martin, an emerging star, opposite junior Maurice McKinney. Juniors Kingsley Clark and Jonathan Goddard are strong pass rushers. At the
"I never intended to turn pro last year. It was an easy decision to come back. I have more I want to accomplish. I know that there are still things I can do to get better."

byron leftwich

tackles, senior Orlando Washington is a veteran, but at 6-2, 265 battles the problems of being light for the position. Sophomore Josh Cordell (6-5, 298) shows promise, but coming from a small, rural high school that featured 15 players on the roster, he's still learning the nuances of major college football.

Junior Charles Tynes (6-1, 210) is one of the fastest, hardest-hitting linebackers in the MAC and reminds coaches of former Herd star John Grace. The rest of the corps lacks significant experience, but is quick and talented. Sophomores J. T. Rembert (6-1, 216), Donte Wilson (6-2, 220) and Kevin Atkins (6-3, 236) have potential to be special. A pair of seniors, Duran Smith and converted cornerback Terence Tarpley, are also in the mix.

"They can really run," Pruett said of his linebackers.

The secondary is a strength. Safety Chris Crocker, a Bronco Nagurski Award nominee, reminds many of former Herd standout Rogers Beckett, a starter with the NFL's San Diego Chargers. Cornerback Yancey Satterwhite is a senior all-league performer. The other corner, sophomore Roberto Terrell, earned a job as a true freshman and played well.

Curtis Head is the MAC's top-returning punter, having averaged 44.4 yards per punt a year ago. He also handles the kicking duties.

The schedule is favorable. Marshall gets chief MAC East rivals Miami and Central Florida at home, along with MAC West power Ball State.

The test to the Herd's potential for national prominence comes Sept. 12 at Virginia Tech. □

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Marshall's Center for International Programs affords students the opportunity to immerse themselves in languages and cultures abroad.

It seems funny now. Clarence Ball and Jason Nelson chuckle about "starving to death" while roaming a Japanese community looking for something to eat. At the time the two Marshall University students had just arrived in Japan and were far from the Calamity Café and Marshall's dorm cafeteria. In the fall of 2000, the pair were new participants in an established exchange program between Marshall and Kansai Gaidai University in Osaka, Japan.

"We don't know where anything is. We're walking around. We missed all the tours because we were the last group to get there," Ball remembers. "We're just walking around trying to find someone who sells food."

Now experienced, Ball and Nelson meet with the next exchange students in the program, who leave Marshall for Kansai Gaidai in time for the Fall 2002 semester. They listen intently to "The Adventures of Clarence and Jason" while they dine on sushi and pass around snapshots of the pair's year of foreign study. The afternoon gathering is a primer lesson, a chance to learn from those who have already gone through the Japanese exchange program. The tales provide laughs, but more importantly, they offer pointers for being a stranger in a strange land.

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- Clark Egnor -

Take, for instance, what Ball calls "the joy of convenience store food." He's quick to point out that it doesn't fall into the same category as American convenience store food.

"We lived out of a convenience store for probably two weeks," Nelson says. The two lived on a shoestring budget because it took time for the food money they had paid to Marshall to transfer to Kansai Gaidai. It's an unpleasant surprise they want the next group to avoid. "We ate nothing but rice balls, but it was good for our waistlines."

Marshall's Center for International Programs sets up opportunities to study abroad for students who want to experience the flavors of another country, but not all trips start with two weeks of rice balls. The center was established in 1993 in part to globalize Marshall's student population and their community.

"It's essential that here at Marshall, we strive to prepare students for a global world," says Dr. Clark Egnor, assistant director of the Center for International Programs. "Sending them to another country, that's the best way to really expose them to another culture and language. It makes them much more marketable as graduates. They're not only going to earn a degree, but they can say they speak a language other than English. And they will have experience living for an extended period of time in a non-English speaking country. It could really help them get a job."

Agreements with several universities around the world make it possible for Marshall students to learn in a wide range of countries. The possibilities for foreign study include the United Kingdom, Poland, France, Japan, Korea, Canada, Mexico, New Zealand, Greece, Australia, Germany and Spain.

Lenna Chambers, a Huntington biology major, spent part of her summer earning six hours of foreign language credits in what she calls a "fun and easy way." Chambers enrolled in a theater class and a Spanish grammar class at the University of Nebrija in Madrid, Spain. She was one of 42 Marshall students in that country for a month at the beginning of the summer.

In an e-mail from Madrid, Chambers writes, "It is much easier to learn a foreign language when you are immersed in it. I go to class in the morning, and by that afternoon I'm practicing what I have learned in class. Although there's lots of work involved and the course is intense, it's worth the effort," Chambers adds.

Ball agrees about learning a language when you are surrounded by it. He and Nelson had taken two years of Japanese and then had a two-year break before living in Japan.

"It was a real shocker trying to speak Japanese. I thought I knew something," Ball says. "I was wrong."

Marshall students have picked up on the idea of studying in a different country. The number of students involved in foreign study with the Center for International Programs has increased from 25 nearly a decade ago to 125 today. Students are becoming intrepid in their choices. It used to be they preferred only English-speaking countries.

"I see a real movement of our students going to Asia, including Japan and Korea," says Dr. William Edwards, director of the Center for International Programs. "And we're going to start to send them to China."

Marshall has established an agreement with Soochow University in Suzhou. It's about an hour from Shanghai. Edwards says the first group of Chinese will be in Huntington this fall. Marshall students will probably leave a year later.

Marshall and Kansai Gaidai universities exchange students like Ball and
Nelson annually. Marshall students who want to take part must qualify and go through an extensive application process. It could take up to a year to complete the paperwork and interviews. Students register as usual, pay their tuition and room and board fees, and then head to Japan. They cover their own travel expenses. Students from Kansai Gaidai do the same in Japan and come to Huntington.

The trip is an investment in the future, but it doesn’t come cheaply. Justin Grimes, a senior from Lavalette, knows he needs cash in the bank and in hand. The integrated science major has been squirreling away what he can.

“I started saving last semester and I’ve been saving all through the summer,” Grimes says.

Some American students land jobs teaching English while studying in Japan. It’s a way to pay expenses. Both Ball and Nelson taught. Ball laughs, “All they want to learn is slang and how to curse.”

The Clarence-Jason list of advice for the Japanese exchange students includes basic student stuff such as which classes to take. But it also includes learning how to survive student-style: 1) Money. ATM’s keep banker’s hours. Wait too late to make a withdrawal on a Friday and you have no weekend cash. 2) Friends. Watch out for Canadians. They get into trouble, but everyone thinks they’re Americans so Americans get blamed. 3) Dorms versus staying in private homes with a family. In a dorm you could have 6 to 8 people in a room. In homes you have more flexibility depending on the family.

Nelson, now a graphic arts graduate from Clarksburg, says living and studying in Japan was a life-changing experience for him.

“Once you get there it’s a cultural shock. You have to relearn everything that you’ve been taught. It’s a totally different structure,” Nelson says. “Even crossing the street. You’re trained to look certain ways and do certain things when you cross the road. But when you get there it’s all flipped. Their road rules aren’t exactly the same as ours, so you have to be careful.”

“Is it easy to get lost at first?” asks Pat Allen, a Rainelle junior.

“Yes,” Nelson responds with another chuckle. Some Japanese streets have no apparent reason for their direction, he believes.

Allen is an integrated science and technology major who’ll be in Japan from fall 2002 to spring 2003. He says he’s concerned about getting to Japan but that he’s confident the stay will be a success. Allen sees this coming year of studying in Japan as one for fun and profit.

“Because of my computer degree, being able to speak Japanese will give me a big edge whenever I go to look for a job,” Allen says. “I’ve always wanted to go to Japan, so that part is going to be fun, regardless, I’m sure.”

“I definitely recommend this trip to anyone who wants to really learn a language and experience a different culture,” Chambers writes about Spain.

Nelson shares that viewpoint about Japan.

“It was a great experience and I would recommend it to anybody,” he says as he passes along the value of his experience to the new travelers.

However, he and Ball managed to open an old can of worms with Marshall’s new exchange students to Japan. A long discussion ensued about the news about ATM’s. What’s the point of an ATM if it closes when the bank closes?

Kathy Young Carney, who graduated from Marshall University in 1982 with a B.A. in Broadcast Journalism, is a freelance writer living in Scott Depot, W.Va.

Clarence Ball was one of several students who studied at Kansai Gaidai University in Osaka, Japan last year.
The unofficial theme of Marshall University’s women’s basketball program could be “Rebuild it and they will come.”

Thundering Herd Coach Royce Chadwick’s plan to rebuild the once-proud women’s basketball program produced astonishing results in its first season, leaving him optimistic that the 2002-03 season will be even better. Marshall increased attendance at its women’s basketball home games an eye-popping 250 percent last season, the third-best figure in the nation. The Herd drew 1,108 fans per game, as opposed to a meager 317 per contest a season earlier.

“That’s a tremendous compliment to our fans and their faith in the program,” said Chadwick, who took the Marshall job last year after a highly successful stint at NCAA power Stephen F. Austin. “They were there all year long. It was a good year at the box office. We’re excited about the future of the program.”

Marshall is excited about the future of all its Olympic sports (non-football or men’s basketball). New athletic director Bob “Kayo” Marcum, who came to Marshall from the University of Massachusetts, said he knows the importance of athletics at a major university extends beyond the football field.

“We want to have a well-rounded athletic program here at Marshall University,” Marcum said. “We will strive to have the best athletic program and the best student-athletes possible.”

While Marshall’s national powerhouse football team and popular men’s basketball team garners much of the media attention, the university has plenty to crow about with the rest of its sports. The women’s tennis team is the

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Mid-American Conference champion. The school recently added swimming and diving, along with women’s golf. The men’s and women’s soccer teams are coming off their most successful seasons. Softball, track and field, cross country and baseball featured some of the MAC’s top individual performers last season.

Women’s tennis gained national respect by winning the MAC title a year after finishing second. The Herd posted a 21-8 record, finished ranked eighth in the East by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association and advanced to the NCAA Tournament before losing at Tennessee, the 13th-ranked team in the nation. Senior Anna Mitina was named to the All-MAC team for the fourth consecutive season and sophomore Jessica Johnson earned all-league honors for the first time.

“We had a good season,” said coach Laurie Mercer, who after the season swapped positions with her assistant and husband, John, after 10 years at the helm of the program. “We played a lot of very good teams early in the season and that was designed to help make us a better team.”

The women’s basketball team struggled on the court, going 9-19 overall and 5-12 in the MAC. Chadwick expected the first season to be difficult, but wasn’t pleased with the results. Indications are that losing seasons soon will be a thing of the past. All-Star Girls Report, a nationally known recruiting service, ranked the Herd’s incoming recruiting class in the top 25 nationally. One of the top signees, 5-foot-10 forward Crystal Champion, not only has the name that suggests a turnaround, but she also comes from H. D. Woodson High School, which produced current Herd quarterback Byron Leftwich and former Marshall football star Giradie Mercer, now of the New York Jets.

Leftwich isn’t Marshall’s only famous Byron. Soccer standout Byron Carmichael led the MAC with 15 goals and 33 points last season in being named All-MAC for the second straight season. Carmichael’s 43 career goals broke the record set by Andy Zulauf (1981-85). Carmichael helped coach Bob Gray’s team to a 12-7 record and to the semi-finals of the conference tournament.

The Herd women’s soccer squad went 11-7-1 and placed fifth in the MAC, its best finish ever, as Amanda McMahon made the All-Great Lakes Region second team. McMahon led the MAC with 12 assists and added eight goals.

The Marshall women were one of just 63 teams nationally to be honored for its academic performance by the National Soccer Coaches Association. To receive such an honor, the team must have a 3.0 cumulative grade point average.

“That was a great honor for the program,” Herd coach Teresa Patterson said. “That speaks volumes about our student-athletes.”

Marshall’s baseball team struggled to a 17-35 record, including a 7-20 conference mark. The future, however, appears bright as talk of a new baseball stadium appears to be gaining steam. Marshall’s current park at University Heights has been seen as a negative, but coach Dave Piepensbrink refuses to make excuses.

“We don’t use that,” Piepensbrink said. “We want to field the best team we can field and we expect to win.”

Marshall’s cross country teams were ranked high in the East Region – the women 14th and the men 21st. Both teams finished ninth in the 13-team MAC. Casey Batey earned second-team All-MAC honors.

Batey performed even better in track and field, winning the MAC 1,500-meter title and being named all-MAC for the second consecutive season. The Marshall women featured a second-team all-conference performer in Nimal Bailey, who was second in the 400-meter dash.

Marshall’s men’s golf team, behind legendary coach Joe Feaganes, placed sixth in the MAC, with No. 1 player Burke Spensky finishing 16th in the conference tournament. Feaganes also heads the women’s golf team, with help from former New Mexico State standout Meredith Knight. The
women's program signed five recruits and will compete next season for the first time since the school dropped the sport in 1982 after producing stars such as Tammie Green and Jennifer Graff.

Volleyball is coming off a 6-21 record, including a 4-14 MAC mark. The Herd enters next season with high hopes under new coach Mitch Jacobs, who led Fairfield to three straight NCAA Tournament appearances before coming to Marshall.

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"We want to have a well-rounded athletic program here at Marshall University. We will strive to have the best athletic programs and the best student-athletes possible."
The Society of Yeager Scholars is the crown jewel in Marshall's Center for Academic Excellence.

article by Chris Stadelman & Kris Wise

West Virginia's own Chuck Yeager broke the sound barrier 55 years ago, and for the past 15 years the academic program named for him has helped students at Marshall University break down barriers to achieve excellence in West Virginia and around the world.

Marshall University's honors program has grown by leaps and bounds in recent years, but its flagship continues to be the Society of Yeager Scholars. Since the first class stepped on campus in 1987, the Yeager Scholars program has set itself apart not only at Marshall, but nationally.

That reputation has helped attract other outstanding students to Marshall, and the programs within the John R. Hall Center for Academic Excellence continue to expand with the enrollment. Honors courses, the “What's it Like?” lecture series, special seminars and study abroad opportunities round out a program designed to encourage interaction among the best and brightest Marshall, Huntington and West Virginia have to offer.

Entering freshmen who meet certain criteria (26 ACT and 3.3 Grade Point Average minimums) may enroll in honors classes and participate in the program. Transfer or already enrolled students with a 3.3 GPA can also join.

Marshall's honors program has grown by a factor of eight over the past four years, with about 400 now enrolled in the center. "We just keep adding good students to this program," explains Martha Woodward, Executive Director of the Society of Yeager Scholars. "It's a wonderful testament to what we've been able to do.

"We have different kinds of scholarships to offer students and different kinds of experiences, depending on their qualifications."

A select few continue to qualify for and accept the challenge of the Society of Yeager Scholars. Students from Idaho to Florida have enrolled over the past 15 years and excelled during and after their careers at Marshall.

Of the 113 people who had completed the Yeager program through April 2002, 23 were in academia and education. Another 65 were in professional fields, including 29 in health care.
painting by Adele Thornton Lewis
Nine were in community service jobs, while nine more were in communications or entertainment. Twenty-six of the graduates, nearly a quarter, were still in West Virginia.

It's exactly the type of diversity and excellence U.S. Air Force Brig. Gen. (Ret.) Chuck Yeager expected when he announced plans for the program at the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum in December 1985. He wanted to tear down the "Barrier of Academic Conventionality."

"All too often this barrier limits the intellectual and social development of young people and thereby prevents them from achieving excellence in their chosen career fields, condemns them to professional lives of mediocrity," Yeager said. "This program, which I'm honored to say has been named the Marshall University Society of Yeager Scholars, is only for a very small, very select group of students - only the best. It has been designed to groom them intellectually, personally, socially and professionally to become our leaders of tomorrow by challenging them again and again in every way to rise above the norm, to be better than they can possibly imagine.

"They will be exceedingly bright, well-rounded, sophisticated, ambitious and caring young men and women who will be fully prepared to take up the reins of leadership and make significant contributions to our nation. If there is such a thing as 'the right stuff' - they will really have it."

Students selected as Yeager Scholars survive a grueling series of interviews, competing against students from around the United States with outstanding test scores, grade point averages and leadership qualities. Final decisions are made on Marshall's campus during a three-day weekend in February, and those chosen receive one of the most comprehensive scholarship offers in the country. Its four-year value is estimated at $80,000, including full tuition and books, room and board, a summer at Oxford University, a second study abroad opportunity, use of a personal computer and a cash stipend each semester.

"It's right up there as good or better than anything," Woodward said. "We wanted a comprehensive program designed to do something really big."

A group of Marshall supporters examined what was out there before modeling the program after the University of North Carolina's Morehead Scholars. Now the Society of Yeager Scholars Board of Directors includes Marshall graduates and non-Marshall graduates from all over. John Fiedler, a Hollywood producer and Marshall graduate, is the current chairman.

"People want to support a program like this because they see what it can do for all of us," Woodward said.

Now that the first graduating classes have been in the work force for several years, they're starting to step up and support the program as well. The Ashland Class of 1991, the first to graduate, recently completed a pledge of $10,000, and the Francis Class of 1992 is making similar plans.

"The obligation is there for them," Woodward said. "They received a great education, and we expect them to give back someday. It takes time."

It's only been about one year since Milton native Molly Bassett graduated from Marshall as a Yeager Scholar, but she already sees the impact the Yeager program has made on her life and her career.

A research assistant and graduate student at Harvard Divinity School, Molly's unique path of study evolved as a direct result of one of her experiences.

(Top) Martha Woodward, Executive Director of the Society of Yeager Scholars. (Middle) Gen. Chuck Yeager started the scholarship program because he wanted to tear down the "Barrier of Academic Conventionality." (Bottom) The instant connections forged between scholars is a trademark of the scholarship society.
in the Yeager program.

While spending the fall of her junior year studying in Madrid, Molly met a female Methodist minister who taught English while developing a campus ministry.

The individualized career and life the woman had created for herself inspired Molly, whose interests in humanities and theology had left her wondering how to merge her academic worlds.

“Meeting her and seeing her work really made me reconsider the possibilities for myself,” Molly said.

Molly now hopes to come back to West Virginia after graduating from Harvard to teach in a university and start her own campus ministry.

The exposure to a different way of life and thinking was inherent in Molly’s study abroad experiences, but it was also a big part of her everyday life as a Yeager scholar.

“Being in the seminars with other students who were up to the challenge of being a Yeager was priceless,” Molly said. “The academic environment in the program and the seminars was one of the only things that could have prepared me for Harvard’s intense academic atmosphere.”

The academic challenges of being a Yeager scholar were enhanced by sharing the experience with other students who eventually became friends.

Molly was a leader in her class, often working overtime to motivate her fellow scholars when the work piled up and the hour was late.

It’s a similar kind of enthusiasm for learning that first attracted 1992 Yeager graduate Maribeth Anderson to the program.

“There is an energy among the people – the Yeager professors and the students – that is infectious,” Maribeth said. “That’s what brought me to the program more so than any of the other benefits. It was just something that I really wanted to be a part of.”

Maribeth jumped headfirst into both the academic and social experience the program provides. It’s been 10 years since she graduated, but many of her classmates are still her close friends. One of them is also her husband.

Maribeth and Scott Anderson married three years after they graduated from the Yeager program. She is assistant news director for WSAZ Newshchannel 3 and he’s the chief financial officer for Optioncare. They have a two-year-old son, Brooks, and a six-week-old baby girl, Tess.

The fact that she met her husband through the Yeager program isn’t a big surprise to Maribeth.

The instant connections forged between scholars is another trademark of the scholarship society.

“When we went through it, there was a real effort on the part of the program to bring us together,” Maribeth said. “But it’s not something you can force to happen – it just does. There’s a connection between people that’s one of the most important things about the program.”
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Maribeth and Scott, a Bay Village, Ohio native, decided to settle down in Huntington after graduating from Marshall.

Though an exodus of graduates and employees out of West Virginia is often reported, the Andersons see the Yeager program as a unique benefit only the Mountain State can provide.

"Choosing a college is a fork in the road," Maribeth said. "My family is here and I'm from here, but the Yeager scholarship is definitely what kept me here. I think, for that reason, it's a vital thing for the university and for West Virginia."

Yeager alumnus Matt Clark, a Georgia native, chose Marshall in hopes that the Yeager program would give him the flexibility and creative thinking skills he needed to pursue the career of his dreams.

He now works as a freelance cinematographer in New York City, where he resides with his wife, Lisa, and their two young sons.

Matt moved to New York not long after graduating in 1991 as part of the first class of Yeager Scholars. He began his career doing lighting and camera work on low-budget independent films and commercials.

He just wrapped work on the feature film "The Other Brother," and will now begin work on "To What Sweet End," starring Blythe Danner. He also handles the cinematography of commercials for Coca-Cola, ESPN and other big-budget advertising icons.

"A lot of the freedom of the program is what made the difference for me," said Matt, who studied broadcasting, theater and marketing during his time as a scholar. "As much as the program can give you, it's probably one of the most valuable college experiences anyone can have."
For his research and teaching efforts, Dr. Frank S. Gilliam was named the 2002 recipient of the Dr. Charles E. Hedrick Outstanding Faculty Award.

Congratulations to Dr. Frank S. Gilliam, who was recently awarded the 2002 Dr. Charles E. Hedrick Outstanding Faculty Award for his exemplary record in the areas of teaching, scholarship, research and creative activities.

Charles B. and Mary Jo Locke Hedrick, both Marshall graduates, established the $5,000 award to honor Dr. Hedrick's contributions to Marshall University as chairman of the history department and founder of the Graduate School. Gilliam is the fifth recipient of the prestigious award.

"The Hedricks have thought through what they want to achieve with their giving," says Dr. Carolyn Hunter, Vice President for Development. "They are exceptional people, and their generous support of Marshall University at every level is greatly appreciated."

Gilliam was especially pleased to win the Dr. Charles E. Hedrick Outstanding Faculty Award. "The Hedrick Award is the only award that rewards the balance between research and teaching, which is what being a college professor is all about," he said.

"The teacher can connect effectively with students by instilling in them the concept of the ongoing nature of learning – that learning is a process, rather than a product," Gilliam writes in his Statement of Teaching Philosophy. "Indeed, this approach conveys to the students that the teacher is participating in the same learning process as they are. This
resonates with students because it gives them the awareness that, rather than being solely on the receiving end of what the teacher has to say, they are sharing with their teacher the excitement of gaining new knowledge.”

The award marked a personal first for Gilliam. His parents, Randy and Sara Gilliam of Lexington, Kentucky; his wife, Laura; and his two children, Rachel and Ian, were all present at the award ceremony. Gilliam was also pleasantly surprised to have the opportunity to meet the Hedricks.

A Lexington native, Gilliam received his B.S. from Vanderbilt University in 1976 and his Ph.D. from Duke University in 1983. He has been a faculty member at Marshall since 1990. A professor in the Department of Biological Sciences at Marshall, Gilliam teaches courses in ecology and plant ecology including Principles of Biology, Principles of Ecology and Plant Ecology.

With papers published in more than 19 different journals, Gilliam’s research interests are generally focused in the areas of plant ecology with an emphasis on plant communities and ecosystems — the functioning of those plant communities within their environments. Gilliam has also co-authored a textbook, Terrestrial Plant Ecology, 3rd Edition, on the ecology of terrestrial plants that he uses for his class on plant ecology. Another book, The Herbaceous Layer in Forests of Eastern North America, is in the process of being published by Oxford University Press, Inc. He is co-author and co-editor with Dr. Mark R. Roberts of the University of New Brunswick, Canada.

“Much of my current work is focused on factors that affect the herbaceous layer of central Appalachian hardwood forests,” Gilliam says. Herbaceous plants are plants that die back to the roots at the end of the growing season. “I am particularly interested in the movement and cycling of plant nutrients within these ecosystems. There are many factors such as fire, tornadoes, acid rain and the ozone that affect the dynamics of ecosystems.”

One area of Gilliam’s long-term research focuses on nitrogen cycling in a central Appalachian hardwood forest. It involves the phenomenon known as nitrogen saturation, in which nitrogen from “acid rain” exceeds the ecosystems’ capacity to use or retain nitrogen. Nitrogen saturation is more likely to occur in older, slow-growing forests at higher elevations, so it is especially pertinent to ecosystems in the mountains of West Virginia. High nitrogen input and slow growth, lead to high loss rates of nitrogen.

“Results to date have shown that several watersheds have become nitrogen saturated from high levels of ambient nitrogen deposition,” Gilliam says. “I have recently expanded the questions of nitrogen saturation in montane hardwood forests to include the interactive effects of forest harvesting and nitrogen saturation on sustainable use of forests. A major threat to the sustainability of forests in central Appalachian is the loss of soil nutrients via biomass removal and leaching.”

Gilliam serves on the board of directors of Big Brothers-Big Sisters of the Tri-State and is an elder at Enslow Park Presbyterian Church.

In addition to the outstanding faculty award, the Hedricks have established two other endowments at Marshall University. The Charles B. and Mary Jo Locke Hedrick Scholarship is available for academically talented and gifted students from West Virginia.

The Hedrick Tutoring Program provides compensation to select students majoring in elementary education in the College of Education and Human Services to tutor children in the first through third grades in math and reading in West Virginia schools.

Susan Hahn earned her master’s degree in journalism from Marshall and is a freelance writer living in Ashland, Ky. She is a contributing writer for the Huntington Quarterly.
A Message From Jeffrey Porter

Marshall’s campus is preparing for another exciting fall semester, and your Marshall University Alumni Association is also busy on many fronts. As our alumni base approaches 80,000 strong, we are working to face the challenges of communication, appropriate activities for our alumni and construction of a new Erickson Alumni Center that demonstrates the importance of alumni in the Marshall family.

Homecoming Week is scheduled for October 14 through the 19th, and this year it is truly a week-long event. Several new items have been added to the schedule, such as taking “Homecoming on the Road” to the Point Pleasant campus, a tennis round robin and, in conjunction with the Marshall University Forensic Department, “CSI Comes to Marshall” as we try to solve the case of the missing Troy State mascot. Other activities include the “Thursday Night Thunder,” which will give you the first opportunity to see this year’s basketball team; our annual “Evening with Friends” reception; and the River Cities Club Post Game Party. Please take the opportunity to review the schedule of activities in this magazine or visit our Web Site. We hope you will join us for this event-filled week and renew relationships with your fellow alumni.

If you have not registered with our On-Line Community, I would encourage you to do so now. With your registration, you will be signing up for our electronic newsletter which will keep you current on the happenings with the Alumni Association, our clubs around the country and events on campus. You will also receive an “e-mail for life” address (ex: jporter@herdalum.org), be able to search the community to find other alumni, read the class notes and check the events calendar. To sign up, go to www.marshall.edu/alumni/ and follow the links to the On-Line Community.

The campaign to raise funds for the new Erickson Alumni Center is proceeding well, and we are encouraged with our progress. Charles Erickson has been very generous with his family’s continued support of our alumni center and has challenged our alumni to join him in making the new Erickson Alumni Center a reality. With your support, we will be able to make this Homecoming’s “Evening with Friends” reception the last one in our present Alumni Center. If you have not had the opportunity to participate in this campaign, you can designate your gift to the EAC on the card enclosed with this magazine, or contact the Alumni Relations office and they would be glad to assist you.

Our next Alumni Weekend is scheduled for April 25-26, 2003. Please place those dates on your calendar. If you have not attended an Alumni Weekend in the past, you are missing a wonderful opportunity to meet fellow alumni, learn more about Marshall University as it is today, and share in our celebration of the success of our outstanding Alumni.

I am always interested in your thoughts concerning the Alumni Association, and can be reached at: jporter@portercpa.com.

Thanks for all YOU do for Marshall University.

MUAA Travel Program

The Marshall University Alumni Association is planning three exciting trips in 2003!

Switzerland – January 2003
Poros, Greece – May 2003
Prague, Czech Republic – November 2003

For more information, see the last issue of Marshall Magazine or call Nancy Pelphrey at (304) 696-3134 or (800) 682-5869.
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• Be willing to assist in his/her home area in promoting Marshall and the Alumni Association.

Nominations must be received in the Office of Alumni Relations by Dec. 15, 2002.

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"The Magnificent World of Marshall"

OCTOBER 14-19 • 2002

Magnificent. It's a word that describes the Thundering Herd football team, Marshall University and Homecoming 2002.

So much, in fact, that this year's week-long Homecoming celebration sponsored by the Marshall University Alumni Association is called "The Magnificent World of Marshall."

The football game (the 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 19 contest with Troy State), as always, holds the Homecoming spotlight, but it's also a week filled with decorations, student activities, a blood drive, the Alumni Run, Homecoming Parade, receptions, breakfasts, luncheons, banquets, reunions and parties.

But, Homecoming is going to be even more Magnificent in 2002. Added to the list of festivities are:

- A Homecoming tailgate on Wednesday, Oct. 16, in Point Pleasant
- The public unveiling of the 2002-03 basketball team at Thursday Night Thunder at the Henderson Center
- An MU Alumni Doubles Tennis Round Robin event
- A "whodunit" adventure called "CSI Comes to Marshall" on Friday afternoon

So, it's really going to be a "Magnificent World of Marshall" for Marshall University's magnificent alumni.

Here is a look at the events coming up for Homecoming Week.

Monday, October 14
Office decorations - each MU office is being asked to decorate to promote the Homecoming theme "The Magnificent World of Marshall." Prizes will be awarded.

Tuesday, October 15
Noon - Student Activities Programming Board (SAPB) is hosting the second Outcast Game Show at Marshall (MSC) Lobby/Plaza. Outcast is a fun interactive game show, where the winner gets a FREE TRIP TO THE BAHAMAS!

Tuesday & Wednesday, October 15 & 16
10 a.m. - 3 p.m. - Student Government Blood Drive. Don Morris Room of the Memorial Student Center. All those donating blood will receive an "I BLEED GREEN" memento.

Wednesday, October 16
5 p.m. - 7 p.m. - The Marshall University Alumni Association will THUNDER INTO MASON COUNTY, taking Homecoming to the great Herd fans in that county.

Thursday, October 17
Noon - Naming of the Homecoming Court
1 p.m. - Office Decoration Judging
5 p.m. - 7 p.m. - Student Government Association Cookout
7 p.m. - Thursday Night Thunder at the Cam Henderson Center
9 p.m. - Student Activities Programming Board and Jason Mewes host a Talent Show. Jason Mewes is perhaps best known for his role of Jay in the cult favorite movies: Jay & Silent Bob Strike Back, Dogma, Chasing Amy, Mallrats, Drawing Files, and many more. One of the hottest young stars will be coming to Marshall to talk about his career, meet students, and host the 2002 Talent Show.

Friday, October 18. – GREEN & WHITE DAY
6 a.m. - 10 a.m. – Live radio remote broadcast from the Erickson Alumni Center by the DAWG radio station 93.7.

8 a.m. - 10 a.m. – Complimentary Coaches Breakfast sponsored by the DAWG radio – with live remote.

2 p.m. - 4 p.m. - MU Alumni Doubles Tennis Matches. Round Robin Style; no charge. University tennis courts. Call 696-2943 to register by Wednesday, Oct. 16; ask for Sharon Stanton. (In case of rain, this event will be cancelled.)

3 p.m. - 5 p.m. - CSI Comes to Marshall. Join us as we try to solve the "Case of the Missing Mascot." What has happened to Troy State's Trojan mascot? Visit a live crime scene and search for the clues that will help you solve this mystery. Sponsored by Marshall University Forensic Sciences Department. You must be aware of safety issues and dress appropriately (no open toe shoes). Participation is limited so register early. Sponsored by the Forensic Science Department. $10 per person

5 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. – Packet Pick-up Party for the 7th Annual Wild Dawg 5K Alum Run at the Wild Dawg Saloon (809 Third Ave.)

6 p.m. – Marshall Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Banquet. Don Morris Room, (MSC.) $20 per person. Purchase tickets from the MU Ticket Office or the MU Alumni Association.

8 p.m. - 11 p.m. – Evening With Friends Reception. Erickson Alumni Center; $10 per person. Purchase tickets by calling the MU Alumni Association 696-2523 or (800) 682-5869.

Saturday, October 19
7 a.m. – Registration for Alum 5K Run
9 a.m. - 7th Annual Alum 5K Run. $10 per person. Early Registration through Oct. 18; $15 per person for Late Registration (Race Day Oct. 19.)

Noon – Homecoming Parade

2 p.m. - Tailgate Party at Herd Village. Sponsored by the Marshall University Alumni Association. $15 per person

4:30 p.m. – MU vs. Troy State football game

7 p.m. – River Cities Marshall Club will host a post-game party/dinner dance at Eagle Distributing Warehouse, 140 West Third Ave., where $20 will provide Outback Steakhouse food, beverages and live music from the Oakwood Road Beer Band.

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Please join us for
The Magnificent World of Marshall!
Homecoming 2002
Oct. 18 - 19

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Note: Credit card orders must exceed $10.

Marshall Thundering
Herd vs. Troy State
4:30 p.m. kickoff
at Marshall Stadium
Call (800) THE HERD
for tickets
The College of Fine Arts will host a tent at Herd Village during Homecoming. Alumni, students and faculty in the Art Department will exhibit works of art; the Music Department will feature alumni; and the MU Theatre will feature models and designs from various Marshall University stage productions held over the years. Alumni from the Art Department interested in participating in the exhibit should contact Jean Miller, chairperson of the department at (304) 696-5451. Music alumni interested in the Alumni Band should contact Marshall Onofrio, chairperson of the department at (304) 696-2710. Don’t be surprised if the Marshall University Marching Thunder stops by!

MU Black Alumni Inc. will hold registration/hospitality at the Radisson Hotel from 6 p.m. until 11 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 18. (Good food, good drinks, good friends!) On Saturday, the Annual Alumni Meeting and Continental Breakfast will be held at 9:30 a.m. at the Memorial Student Center. The Black Alumni Tailgate (fish, chicken, hot dogs and everything else you might want) will be from 1 p.m. until 6 p.m., centered around the Homecoming Game at 4:30 p.m. Post game, Hospitality at the Radisson 8 p.m. - until 11 p.m. Then, Dance & Recognitions for Distinguished Alumni; casual dress; hors d’oeuvres/cash bar 9 p.m. until 1 a.m.

Alpha Chi Omega sorority (Gamma Omicron chapter) will celebrate its 50th anniversary of being on the Marshall campus during Homecoming Weekend. The local alumnae chapter is planning a Brunch and Open House on Saturday, Oct. 19, from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., at the sorority house, 1601 5th Ave. For more information call (304) 525-3864 or e-mail alnita3456@aol.com.

Alpha Sigma Phi brothers are having a reunion; for more information contact the MUAA or Kris Parker at (304) 696-6436.

Pi Kappa Alpha - The 1950s classes of the PKA fraternity will hold a reunion in conjunction with Homecoming October 18-19. Rooms are reserved at the Holiday Inn Express for members. Please call Fred or Betty Smith at (304) 529-2121, or write to them at 3405 Ginger Drive, Huntington, WV, for details.

Phi Mu - The Phi Mu Sorority is 150 years old this year. In honor of this birthday, Beta Phi Chapter at Marshall is inviting all former members, alumni and Phi Mu locals to join us for a celebration at Marshall’s Homecoming. We’ll be getting together at the Friday night alumni function and also tailgating together under the pink balloons in the West Lot on game day. For more information call Sharon Weeks Porter at (304) 523-8626 or e-mail at sharon71@aol.com.

Check the Alumni Association web site for updates and new events: www.marshall.edu/alumni/

7th Annual Alumni 5K Run
full of surprises

One of the highlights of Marshall’s Homecoming for the last six years has been the Alumni 5K Run coordinated by Marshall’s Recreational Sports Office, the Alumni Association and the Huntington Track Club. This event has grown from fewer than 100 runners to more than 250 expected this year. The 3.1-mile course begins at Mycroft’s Restaurant & Bar, 1947 Third Ave., through downtown, and ends near the Henderson Center on Third Avenue. The run is open to everyone – most runners are from the community, although some come from as far as Lexington, Ky., and Columbus, Ohio. Approximately 40 to 50 kids run as well.

The DAWG, 93.7 FM, is the primary sponsor of the race, as well as campus groups and local businesses donating money, products and volunteers. “Each year we try to make the race better and more fun,” says Mike Kirtner, owner and general manager of the DAWG. “I look forward to the race each year, both personally and professionally.”

The $10 entry fee entitles the runner to a packet of goodies, including a long-sleeved t-shirt. The packets will be picked up the night before at a pasta buffet at the Wild Dawg Saloon, 809 Third Ave., from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Country singer Angy Griggs is scheduled to sing at a pre-race concert that evening, open to the public.

An awards ceremony follows the race at the Auxiliary Gym at the Cam Henderson Center. Glass awards are given for Overall Top Male/Female Finisher and for Top 3 Finishers in Each Age Group. Gift certificates will be awarded for a number of other categories including 12 different age divisions.

“The race was the brainchild of Linda Holmes when she was director of alumni relations,” says Sharon Stanton, director of recreational sports at Marshall and race director. (Holmes is now director of development and alumni affairs for the School of Medicine.) “Linda came to me with the idea of tying this event to kick off Homecoming Weekend. ‘The exposure it brings to Marshall has been huge – we’re showcasing the university and bringing people to our area.

“A great deal of the work is done by graduate assistants and work study students,” says Stanton. “This is really a neat experience to give them the responsibility for the course, the 60-70 volunteers, the awards ceremony, registration, sponsorship, etc. It is a great opportunity for them.”

“The race has exceeded anyone’s wildest expectations in participation,” says Holmes. “I cannot say enough about Sharon’s insight and dedication to making the race such a success. She gives 110 percent to make it the best race in the area. And, without Mike’s loyalty to his alma mater and his desire to make Homecoming a success, we wouldn’t be able to offer the kind of event everyone at Marshall and the Alumni Association can be proud of. The true success lies with Sharon and Mike’s loyalty and willingness to promote Marshall.”

The race will take place at 7 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 19. To be guaranteed a shirt in your size, entries must be received by Oct. 4. Early registration is Oct. 18, and after that, late registration ($15) is open until Oct. 19. Race time is 9 a.m. For more information, call Stanton at (304) 696-4652 or (304) 696-2943.
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Please share your news with us by filling out the form included with your magazine.
Preference will be given to active alumni of Marshall University and the Marshall University Graduate College. Other news will be printed as space allows, and should be received within six months of the event. Professional quality photographs of individuals may be included with future Class Notes. Photos are not used with birth, marriage or death notices.

Arrivals
To Melissa Clements Courts and Samuel Scott Courts (BS'82), twins, Jennifer Kathleen and Brian Robert, on March 5, 2001.
To Deanna G. Lacy and Michael B. Lacy (MA'97), a son, Blake Michael, on July 9, 2001.
To Monica Mahlmeister and Michael J. Mahlmeister (BA'89) a daughter, Faith Katherine, on Oct. 16, 2001.
To Lee Ann Ferry Bennett and Thomas M. Bennett (BA'95), a daughter, Alisson, on Nov. 9, 2001.
To Denise Baylous and Dr. J.D. Baylous (BS'88, MD'93), twins, Luke and Logan, on April 24, 2002.
To Sue Luikart and Christopher Michael Luikart (BA'96), a daughter, Grace Elizabeth, on April 24, 2002.

Marriages
Laurie Ann McLaurin (BA'96, MA'99) and Ryan Turner (BA'96) on May 12, 2001.
Rachelle Jane Perine (BS'01) and Brian James Coffey (BA'01) on July 14, 2001.
Megan A. Williams (BA'99) and Trevor S. Ice on Aug. 11, 2001.
Regina Diana Pack (BA'96) and Ramy Ramzeeni on Oct. 6, 2001.
Jeramie Amanda Mackenzie Robertson (BA'00) and Kirk Edward Wells on March 22, 2002.
Elizabeth Miles and Robert Chafin (AAS'80) on March 23, 2002.
Kimberly A. Hudson (BA'99) and Martin S. Brooks (BA'95) (MBA'97) on June 15, 2002.
She is an accountant with the MU Alumni Association.

Deaths
Jackie L. Beckelhimer of Huntington on May 9, 2002, at age 59. She was a retired cook at Marshall University.
Dr. Russell C. Boyd II (att'54) of Coral Gables, Fla., on May 29, 2002, at age 68.
Peter Clyne Buffington IV ('50) of Huntington on April 9, 2002, at age 75.
Beulah E. "Pat" Campbell (BA'38) of Parkersburg on June 19, 2002, at age 98.
Richard K. Childress (BS'60, MA'63) of Reston, Va., on March 22, 2002, at age 63.
John Robert Connelly (att.) of Huntington on April 13, 2002, at age 79.
Helen Margaret Dunbar (BA'36) of Huntington on April 10, 2002, at age 88.
Ruth Lambert Pierson French (BA'49, MA'54) of Huntington on April 5, 2002, at age 96.
Jack Proffitt Hayden (att.) of Huntington on May 2, 2002, at age 79.
ALUMNI CLUB LISTING

This is a list of Marshall University Alumni Association clubs around the country, some still in the development stage. Be sure to check out www.herdnation.com! This club is for those alumni who do not live in a geographic area served by a Marshall club, but of course is open to all alumni.

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In December 2001, Marshall graduate Anne Asbury was assigned as case agent for the investigation of accused terrorist John Philip Walker Lindh. A month later she swore to the affidavit for the complaint and arrest warrant, and traveled to Afghanistan with other FBI personnel to arrest Lindh and transport him to the United States. Lindh stood trial before the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia on August 26.

Asbury, an alumna of Barboursville High School, graduated from Marshall in 1986, attended law school at West Virginia University, and joined the FBI in 1991. She was transferred to the Washington Field Office in 1997 after spending six years in the Philadelphia FBI office. Upon arriving in Washington, she was assigned to work in the office's National Security Division on a counterterrorism squad. This squad conducts investigations relative to various terrorist groups, primarily those in the Middle East and South Asia. She traveled with several of her coworkers to Africa in 1998 in response to the embassy bombings there.

In 1999, Asbury began working counterterrorism cases involving Afghanistan and the Taliban. "I learn something new every day," says Asbury. "It is probably the most interesting and, right now, challenging assignment I have had during my FBI career. I have been able to acquaint myself with the Afghan community here in Washington and the knowledge I have gained about the history, culture and politics of Afghanistan has been invaluable."

While at Marshall, Asbury majored in political science with a minor in criminal justice. "Marshall was the natural choice for me for college. My mom, one of my sisters, my aunt and my grandma attended Marshall," says Asbury. "My mom got her master's degree in 1986, the same time I graduated with my bachelor's degree."

One professor in particular made a great impression on Asbury. "Probably the one professor whom I admire the most was my advisor, Dr. Jabir Abbas, who was from Iraq – and here I am working Middle East terrorism matters. He probably got me interested in international politics more than anyone – he was so passionate about what he taught. He was about as kind and understanding as you can get. He seemed to have a confidence in me that I hadn’t found yet. My very first trip to Washington, D.C., came about because he chose me to attend a conference here. Dr. Abbas passed away a few years ago, but he comes to my mind often as I continue my work in international matters."

"I also remember Dr. Soo Bock Choi. I believe he was the chairman of the department. As for the criminal justice side of the house, there was a Professor Brown. She was great. One of the classes I had from her included trips to prisons and ride-alongs with the police department. I had always had an interest in criminal justice, and my classes at Marshall made that interest grow. My uncle was in law enforcement for many, many years and I always admired his job. He is currently a magistrate in Cabell County (Jim Earls)."

"All of my instructors at Marshall, whether I had them for an elective or a required course, were passionate about their work, interested in the students and proud to be part of the faculty at Marshall. I had a great college experience at Marshall. Even though I was a commuter student, I still felt very much a part of the school. I think that is because Marshall has always given so much to the community – to students and non-students alike."

Asbury shows her love for Marshall via her collection of Marshall t-shirts and hats. "I wear them very proudly, and whenever someone recognizes the school – and it happens more than you think – they always have something good to say. I am so very proud to be a part of that."
With patriotism at its highest level since World War II, the Marshall University Alumni Association celebrated past alumni with a "We Want You Back for Alumni Weekend" theme. Among those being honored this year were the Class of 1952, the Class of 1942, the Grand Class (pre-1952), former distinguished service award winners, and eight new award winners.

(A) Returning Community Achievement Award winners: left to right: Dr. Willard Daniels Jr. ('61); Eulalia Magann ('36); William Dotson ('73); Betty Lovett Spencer ('42); Robert Alexander ('57); Robert Anderson ('51); James Farley ('65); and William Blevins ('51)

(B) Enjoying the Alumni Awards Banquet: left to right: Dr. Dan Angel; Edward McDonough; Kathy Eddy; Charles Erickson; Laurie Anderson; Scott Angel; Tim Haymaker; Pat Angel.

(C) Toasting success at the Champagne Reception honoring former recipients of the Community Service Award

(D) Laurie Anderson and Charles F. Erickson enjoying the Alumni Banquet

(E) Lucretia O'Briant Litchfield ('31) of Petersburg, Va., receives a gift of flowers from MUAA President Jeffrey Porter

(F) Charles Lanham (left) receives his gift for the Class of 1952 from MUAA President Jeffrey Porter.

(G) At the Alumni Banquet: Back, left to right: Ed Greene; Jack Lengyel; Ken Ambrose; Sharon Ambrose; Rick Hovouras. Front, left to right: Meghan Skalsky; Marie Lipton; Laura Darby; Cris Young; Kathy Eddy

(H) Four members of the Grand Class renew their friendships at the Meet & Greet Reception: left to right: William Blevins, Mary Blevins, Kitty Terwilleger and George Terwilleger.
The active members of the MUAA have elected a new board for the 2002-2005 term. New members are Charles Anthony Broh '67, Brookline, Mass.; Nancy Campbell '79, Wayne, Pa.; Jane Graham '60, Parkersburg; Dr. Jim Harless '62, Huntington; Tom Harris '69, Bowling Green, Ky.; Arthur Byrd Keyser '63, Charlottesville, Va.; George C. Lambros '56, Huntington; Thomas Glen Light '57, Huntington; Paul G. "Jeff" Sawyers '81, '89, Kenova; and Dan Shoemaker '73, '78, Huntington.

"Each year when a new board is elected it is exciting because it brings new ideas and fresh opinions," says MUAA President Jeffrey A. Porter. "This year we increased the number of elected members from five to 10, with five of them being from outside the Tri-State area. This increase helps us to get a better cross section of our alumni and to better determine the wants and needs of our alumni. Just as a new school year brings a new excitement to campus so does a new board year.

"The goals for the year will be to focus on raising the funds for the alumni center, the creation of our on-line newsletter, working with our clubs to strengthen them, and increasing our outreach to the young alumni," says Porter.

Outgoing members serving the 1999-2002 term are Jack T. Blevins Sr., Deborah L. Lewis, Jeffrey A. Porter, Susan J. Shipley and George W. Templin.

"I achieved a sense of fulfillment by serving on the MUAA board," says Shipley. "I was involved in the development of plans for the new Erickson Alumni Center and plan to continue that involvement in terms of participating in fund-raising efforts. My undergraduate days at Marshall contributed a great deal to every aspect of my development, career and personal. I was able to give something back to Marshall by serving on the MUAA board."

The Alumni Association would like to thank each of the outgoing board members for their three years of service and welcome all newly elected members. We look forward to another great year.

Executive Committee:
Jeffrey A. Porter; President; George C. Lambros, Immediate Past President; Tom Harris, First Vice President; Nancy Campbell, Second Vice President; Michael T. Graybeal, Treasurer; Kellie L. Wooten-Willis, Secretary; Thomas Glen Light, Chairperson of EAC Committee; Mike Kincaid, Club Representative; Cynthia A. Warren, College Representative; Tom Harris, MU Presidential Representative; Sam H. Stanley, Executive Director; Nancy Campbell, James E. Conrad, Olive B. Hager, Executive Committee Appointees; Nancy Campbell, Larry Lemasters, President/Executive Appointees.

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Alumni Relations Staff
Carolyn B. Hunter, Vice President for Development; Sam Stanley, Assistant Vice President for Alumni Relations; Nancy Pelphrey, Coordinator of Alumni Programs; Kimberly Brooks, Accountant; Sharon Peters, Administrative Secretary; Jerry L. Schroyer, Caretaker; Jenny Drastura, Alumni Editor/Web Administrator.
Boone County Club raises $24,000 for scholarships

From left to right. Marco hitch a ride to the golf course. Chad Pennington and Tim Leap. Basketball great Walt Walowac and Bob Marcum.

More students from the Madison area will be able to attend Marshall due to the hard work and generosity of the Boone County Club of the MU Alumni Association. The club made an outstanding net of $24,000 at its Boone County Golf Classic and cookout held in Madison in June.

Special guests including football coach Bobby Pruett, Chad Pennington, Athletic Director Bob Marcum and Burke McKinney, director of athletic development, came and did it all — gulfed, mingled, signed autographs, helped the workers, helped in the giveaways, and got to know some of the people from the area. “Those signing autographs were appreciated in that they took time to sign items the fans had brought,” says coordinator Rodney Miller. “Coach Pruett, or any of the others are appreciated for being so gracious in taking their time to make a personal visit with each and every person who approached them. Everyone seemed relaxed and had an enjoyable day because of that.”

The event was coordinated by members of the Boone County Friends of Marshall. The steering committee consisted of Miller, Mike Jarrell, David Price, Ira Handley, Mike Hill, Jim Gore and Darlene McClure. Other club members, current Marshall students and the cheerleaders came to help. All came out for what was a fun-filled green and white day.

“Rodney Miller and the Boone County Marshall alumni put on a fabulous event,” says Carolyn Hunter, Vice President for Development at Marshall. “A great golf tournament, barbeque, auction, entertainment...it was perfect! Best of all, the club is supporting scholarships at Marshall. I am so proud of what this new club has done and they have promised a bigger and better next year.”

Director of Alumni Relations

Marshall University seeks to fill the position of Director of Alumni Relations by January 1, 2002. We ask all of our alumni to spread the word and help us encourage innovative and dynamic individuals who meet the qualifications to apply. The director will build on a strong alumni tradition and develop, coordinate and implement programs to promote the university and increase the participation of nearly 76,000 alumni of record. The director will be a critical member of the development staff and share in the responsibility for increasing alumni support and involvement.

Responsibilities include: working with the MUAA board of directors to implement its programs in support of alumni; development, implementation and monitoring of the strategic plan; implementation of marketing strategies to increase alumni awareness and involvement; development and support of alumni clubs; coordination of alumni plans and activities with involved internal and external groups; management of financial resources and bucket; assistance with university/alumni publications; provide leadership in securing financial support for the new Erickson Alumni Center. The director must have strong organizational, communication and management skills; the ability to direct a complex, dynamic program; and demonstrated success working with volunteers.

We are looking for someone who is a self starter, works as a team player, and is committed to working evenings and weekends as necessary. An understanding of and commitment to Marshall University are important. Requirements include a bachelor's degree; experience as an alumni director or five years related experience in higher education is preferred.

Interested persons should contact: Office of Alumni Relations, (304) 696-2901, peters@marshall.edu.
Marshall Memories
by Norm Haddad (BA'58) of Largo, Fla.

Marshall memories are alive because close friendships made are instantly renewable. When I talk with friends, as I have recently, I recall the richness of those friendships and memories.

My student government days are notable memories, working with friends. That wonderful lady, Dean Lillian Buskirk, kept our work on track.

The Parthenon brings back a flood of thoughts - of friends and staff. Two interviews highlighted my reporting career: one with Louis Armstrong, and one with vice presidential candidate Estes Kefauver. (Betty Harbert and I interviewed him.)

The Armstrong interview took up almost a half page of the Parthenon. He was unique - he spent a lot of the time trying to "sell me" on some sort of energy powder he used as a diet supplement. I settled for an autographed picture.

I really enjoyed my journalism classes, and learned a lot about how to analyze issues from a middle ground perspective. We were taught by Dr. Page Pitt and his staff that journalism should be the advocate for informing the people, not for making issues and hyping politicians.

My how times have changed! In addition to Dr. Pitt, my major professors were Miss Virginia Lee, Frank Spear, Jim Hearne, and my advisor, Mr. Thornburg.

What I admire today is the tools that the students have to learn their trade. We used those big old manual typewriters; we had half sheets of paper, not even of newsprint quality, and layout and typesetting were hands-on skills, not done on nifty Apple computers. When I attended a recent Journalism School Awards Dinner, I saw a video of the classrooms/labs used today, and I was really proud of the advances the school has made.

As a college student I worked as a production assistant at the local NBC-TV affiliate, WSAZ-TV. I was there for the very first, locally-produced, live color telecast shown in the United States - the Saturday Night Jamboree, a country and western show. Learning from folks like Bill Belanger and Ernie Salvatore, and being acquainted with people like Dean Harold Willey and Swede Gullickson was a real honor. And what fun! What nice memories!

NBC's Today Show came to Huntington for a week while I worked at the station. They were featuring the Ohio River lifestyle. As a production assistant, I got to hang around the stars: Dave Garroway, Frank Blair (news), Jack Lescoule (sideman) and Lee Merriweather, a woman who recently had been selected as Miss America. This was a real big thrill and I won't ever forget it. I got all their autographs, and Lee wrote me a poem.

Pack-rat that I am, I still have this poem and their autographs.

Lee became (and still is) a popular actress and came to St. Petersburg many years later for a performance at a local theater. Jo Anne, my wife, and I went to her show on an anniversary outing and we were able to get backstage and meet her, show her the poem, and take a picture. She was still so beautiful.
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