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Chief among the initiatives is Student Success. Our dedication to our students will drive everything we do.

We've also committed ourselves to strengthening our academic programs even more, as well as developing new graduate and undergraduate degree programs. We have a strong list of new programs that are in the evaluation and development stages.

Our plan also calls for a continued and increased emphasis on research and creative activities, the hallmarks of great universities. Our aim is to "increase research and creative activities that show promise for improving West Virginia's economic development, natural and cultural environments, educational systems, health and social services."

Another important focus is outreach. We have formed significant partnerships with other organizations in order to provide learning experiences, help develop the workforce and promote economic development.

By outreach, we also mean taking education to where the students are. We have become well known for our work with World Wide Web-based courses, particularly with a program called WebCT.

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The enactment of SB 653 by the West Virginia Legislature in March 2000 has provided a public policy framework for Marshall University to continue to enhance its commitment to graduate education. A central element of the legislation is to expand access to graduate education throughout West Virginia.

Marshall University has used two major strategies to improve access to graduate programs for West Virginia. First, Marshall has made a major investment in providing graduate programs and courses that are provided through technology-based delivery. Secondly, the institution has made a major commitment to increase statewide access to graduate education through forming partnerships with other colleges and universities.

The results speak for themselves as internet-based course delivery has emerged as a central strategy for expanding access to graduate education. More than 14,000 web-course student accounts have been established and 700 internet-based courses have been developed. And 400 of these courses are at the graduate level. One complete program, a master’s degree in Leadership Studies, is available online.

Enrollment data also reflect improved student access to graduate programs. During calendar year 2000, there were more than 10,600 off-campus (outside of Huntington) graduate student enrollments at Marshall.

This number reflected a three percent increase over the off-campus graduate enrollment during the previous year. Students from all 55 West Virginia counties were enrolled in graduate courses during 2000.

Marshall has quickly become the state pacesetter in establishing collaborative relationships with other institutions of higher education. In recent months, formal agreements with Shepherd College, Fairmont State College and Glenville State College have been approved by the Higher Education Policy Commission.

These agreements provide for the delivery of the Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) Program, a certificate program for Media/Library Specialists (Fairmont State College), a master’s degree in Criminal Justice (Fairmont State College), and a master’s degree in Elementary Education (Glenville State College). The programs are underway and will be completed over the next three years.

Marshall continues to be an active participant in several cooperative initiatives with West Virginia University. These programs include the Engineering (Traffic Engineering), Cooperative Doctoral Program in Educational Leadership (since 1980), a cooperative doctoral program in Curriculum and Instruction (initiated in Spring 2000), and a statewide program for training teachers of the Visually Impaired.

Graduate programs also are regularly provided through collaborative arrangements with local school systems and private sector agencies across the state. These programs are generally “cohort” programs in which a defined student group moves through a program concurrently. Cohort programs have been provided in Wood, Randolph, Harrison, Hancock, Wayne, McDowell, Braxton, Raleigh, Mercer, Clay and Mason counties in the past two years.

Marshall University has clearly become the state leader in taking graduate education “to the people.” We are committed to expanding and enhancing these efforts in the years ahead.

Ron Childress
Vice President for Graduate Studies

Taking Graduate Education to the People
Gale Given pauses to ponder a question, one pertaining to the fact that she is the first woman to be named state president of national telephone company Verizon in West Virginia.

Sitting in a high-back chair facing away from her fifth-floor office window, Given turns her head and shifts her eyes toward the Kanawha River. Finally, after about a minute of silence, she answers her inquisitor.

"Being female never posed any problems for me," Given says matter-of-factly. "From the beginning, once I came in and did my job and proved to people I could do it well, that was not an issue."

Nevertheless, Given acknowledges that female executives are the exception and not the rule in a white male-dominated society even today, nearly two years into the 21st Century.

"It is not necessarily something that is on the top of my mind," Given says. "But, when I am out of the office dealing with people in other businesses, it often is on the top of their minds because there are not many female executives in this state."

Given, both personable and professional with her broad smile, contagious laugh, articulate speech and sharp attire, notes there has been considerable progress. In other words, the status quo is no longer so.

"Now," Given says, "there are a lot more women in the pipeline who will have opportunities other women before them did not have."
"I realized early on that if I wanted to be successful, I was going to have to strive for excellence."
She takes pride in the fact that she – like many women who have come before her – is partly responsible for those strides in improved employment opportunities for women. Women such as her daughter.

"That is what excites me the most. As my daughter grows up, she is not aware of any barriers. I think that is going to change things dramatically. Women like her do not have barriers to break down, so they are just going to take off."

They certainly will if they emulate the 43-year-old Given, wife of Marshall alumnus Joe Given and mother of 18-year-old Brad, 15-year-old Erica and 9-year-old Drew. Given has managed to balance a successful career and family in the 22 years since she graduated from Marshall.

Her days in college were described as a mixture of hard work and lots of laughs.

"I remember that during my final semester, I was carrying 22 hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays," she explained. "I was at school from 8 o'clock in the morning until 9 o'clock at night. I had to split time between two evening classes. They both were three hours long and I had to attend one for an hour and a half, and then leave in the middle of the class to catch the last half of the other. In addition, I was tutoring other students that semester to help pay my way through school."

Some of Given's fondest memories of her years at Marshall revolved around an old car, a Chevy Vega, that she drove to school from her room at Marshall's Married Student Housing located near Norway Avenue.

"That old car would never start," she recalled. "In early 1978, Huntington was hit with a blizzard. People were asked to move their cars off the streets so the city could clear the roads and, of course, my car wouldn't start. So the plows buried my car under six feet of snow. I didn't see the Vega again until May."

On another occasion Given was parked on campus and ready to go home when the car wouldn't start. By this time she had learned that placing a screwdriver across two certain bolts in the engine would short out the starter and somehow cause the car to start.

"I was under the hood of the car fiddling around when Stu Aberdeen (former head basketball coach), walked by and said, 'Young lady, may I help you?' Just at that moment, I touched the screwdriver to the bolts and the car started. Coach Aberdeen looked kind of surprised and said, 'Looks like you know what you're doing,' and walked off."

While Given doesn't suffer though any car troubles today, she does remain as busy as her years in college. A typical day for Given involves time spent helping her children get ready for school in the morning. At work, she can be found on the phone, in meetings or in a high-tech teleconferencing room. She travels at least one day a week to tend to various requirements and in the evening often brings work home, burning the midnight oil.

When she finds time to vacation, she and her family enjoy camping in West Virginia's beautiful backcountry including the Dolly Sods and Seneca Rocks region.
Given, who earned a bachelor's degree in mathematics and a master's degree in business administration from her alma mater, was elected state president of Verizon in June 2000. She is responsible for West Virginia's operations, including external affairs, financial issues and regulatory matters.

And Given, who worked for C&P Telephone in the West Virginia regulatory organization from 1990 until her promotion last year, was chosen to head Kentucky's operations eight months ago, making her responsible for two states.

Verizon, which formed last year when Bell Atlantic and GTE merged, has approximately 900,000 access lines and 3,300 employees in West Virginia, as well as 750,000 access lines and 1,500 employees in Kentucky.

"It is a challenge," Given says, attributing her dual-state success so far to the efforts of her staffs and the wonders of teleconferencing. "I have to balance my workload for each state depending on the level of activity in each state."

In addition to dealing with the flooding that has affected southern West Virginia, Given has been working on an agreement among Verizon, Consumer Advocates and the Public Service Commission for a five-year incentive regulation plan.

Before her current job, she worked at Bell Communications Research, the New Jersey-based research arm of the regional Bell operating companies. There, she assisted the telecommunications industry in resolving national issues related to carrier interconnection. A native of Point Pleasant, Given began her career in 1979 at C&P Telephone of West Virginia in the Charleston central office engineering organization.

Since graduating from Marshall in 1979, Given says she has seen tremendous growth at the university.

"Obviously the campus has grown by leaps and bounds. The new stadium, the fine arts facility, the Drinko Library, the renovations at the science center and other buildings - it's impressive. And I'm very happy that Old Main is still there and has received the care it deserves. Old Main in an icon for anyone who has ever attended the school."

Although Given wouldn't describe herself as a huge sports fan, she does admit that she and her family are avid Marshall football fans.

"We've really enjoyed seeing the recent success of the football program," she says. "We like following the players from their years at Marshall to their shot at the pros. Chad Pennington, Randy Moss and many of the other talented athletes make Sunday afternoons more exciting."

As for the future of Marshall, Given is confident the university will continue to see positive growth that will impact students on campus and throughout West Virginia.

"Marshall is poised to play a pivotal role in increasing the number of young men and women in this state who attend college," Given asserts. "The recent report that ranked West Virginia last in the country for high school students who go on to college was very disturbing to me. We have to turn this
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situation around and I believe Marshall will be a key player."

Given volunteers on the board of INROADS/West Virginia, Inc., an organization that identifies, trains and places highly qualified minority students in internships with West Virginia businesses. She also serves on the state committee for EPSCOR, West Virginia’s Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research, under the Governor’s Office of Technology. And she is a member of the Children’s Home Society, Advantage Valley, BIDCO and the West Virginia Chamber of Commerce.

"I was married and working when completing my undergraduate degree, and obtained my master’s degree by attending the Saturday Executive MBA Program. I’ve always appreciated the university’s flexibility and determination to ensure that all students can obtain the education they desire."

Most recently, she was appointed by Governor Wise to the West Virginia Development Office Council for Community and Economic Development.

Her success story is one of dogged determination, a result of a lesson learned in her first year in the industry.

"Very early on, I had a performance review that did not meet my standards," Given recalls. "I realized I was not working as hard as I should be if I wanted to be excellent. Basically, I was doing what I needed to get by and that was the extent of it. That discussion made me realize if I was going to be successful, I was going to have to strive for excellence."

Given admits she also owes her success in the telephone industry – and participation in it – to Marshall University, where she planned to obtain a bachelor’s degree in computer programming.

"I took a few programming classes," she says laughing, "and quickly decided that it was not what I wanted to do. So, I finished with a math degree. Then one day I was at the campus job placement center and C&P recruiters were there to interview math majors and the rest is history. It was not a lifelong goal to work for the telephone company."

Not that she regrets her decision. On the contrary, she says she could not be happier.

"This industry has been good to me," Given says. "That is why I have been in it so long. My responsibilities have continually changed and I never had time to get bored. I thoroughly enjoy my work. It is wonderful."

Today, Given serves in an advisory capacity at Marshall University for the Lewis College of Business. In addition, she’s one of Marshall’s greatest fans.

"Marshall has always been there for me even though I was not pursuing an education in the most traditional way. I was married and working when completing my undergraduate degree, and obtained my master’s degree by attending the Saturday Executive MBA Program. I’ve always appreciated the university’s flexibility and determination to provide programs to ensure that all students can obtain the education they desire."
Marshall University and the Huntington community honor Rep. Nick J. Rahall II for his dedication in making the Appalachian Transportation Institute a reality

That Monday was a hot, humid July day, but the distinguished speakers and audience didn’t seem to notice the heat. As far as everyone was concerned, the dedication of the Nick J. Rahall II Appalachian Transportation Institute (ATI) was, as President Dan Angel likes to say, a “top hat” event.

“We picked one of the hottest days of the year,” Angel recalled with a laugh. “But the event was a tremendous success in spite of that. It was a green letter day.”

On July 23, about 300 gathered outdoors in front of the ATI headquarters at 1900 3rd Ave. to honor Congressman Rahall, the man instrumental in making the institute (that is creating an environment to address transportation issues throughout Appalachia) a reality.
Mike Perry, who recently served as Marshall’s interim president, handled the task of master of ceremonies. Joining Perry and Congressman Rahall on the dais were Dr. Angel, U.S. Department of Transportation Secretary Norman Y. Mineta, Gov. Bob Wise, ATI director Dr. Richard Begley, and representatives from the institute’s academic partners: WVU Institute of Technology, Bluefield State College, Mountain State University and Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College.

Before the ceremony, Begley gave Rep. Rahall a VIP tour of the institute, giving its benefactor a first-hand look at the impressive array of projects there. Featured in the demonstrations were research projects using state of the art geotechnical equipment and an outreach program to expose K-12 students to computer and information technologies focusing on transportation systems.

“I think Mr. Rahall saw that his institute is helping the college-age students at Marshall and our partner institutions in southern West Virginia gain valuable transportation career development experiences,” Begley said. “He specifically commented on how this Institute could be a valuable resource for helping the re-building efforts in southern West Virginia that will be required due to the recent flooding.”

In his remarks later that morning at the ceremony, Rahall reiterated his appreciation for the institute’s work and for the support shown from a wide array of federal and state officials.

“I am honored that my friends and comrades in the battle to maintain this nation’s infrastructure have taken time from their immense responsibilities to be here with me today,” Rahall said.

“Having grown up in southern West Virginia, the heart of Appalachia, I understand the important relationship between safe, reliable transportation roadways and economic development. It is a formula that equals jobs. The institute’s focus in part has been that when we design new or replacement roadways, that we do so with an eye toward economic development. That can help all of southern West Virginia, including Huntington.

“As the institute’s role in our state, region and nation grows so will its partners. Working with Marshall’s Robert C. Byrd Center for Rural Health, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the West Virginia Department of Highways are just a few of the examples of the impact the institute can have. We are beginning the effort to put together a partnership with private sector transportation companies, associations and coalitions, all of whom can benefit from the institute’s work. Call it a foundation, call it a magnet, call it a crucible, the institute is and can be all these things and more for progress in our region and nation.”

Later, Rahall reflected on the significance of the day.

“The diversity of interest that was represented at the dedication is a clear indication of the far-reaching impact the mission of the institute can have on our regional economy.”

Just before the ceremony drew to a close, Dr. Angel presented Rep. Rahall with a commemorative crystal top hat, trimmed with a band of Marshall green that the university commissioned Blenko Glass to create.

“I wanted to celebrate the fact that we have this transportation institute,” Angel said, explaining his choice of gift. “We were sitting around talking about what kind of memento of the occasion we should give. The general idea was to buy a piece of glass. We wanted something that was unique, that would have some green for Marshall. And we thought this was a top hat event.

“It think it is very significant that the institute is one of fewer than three dozen in the nation. It is important that we have it here in Huntington and we wanted to show the congressman our appreciation.”

Rahall also received the John Marshall Medal for Civic Responsibility.

“I was humbled to receive the John Marshall Medal from President Angel,” the congressman said. “Civic responsibility is the highest calling of any citizen. It is my hope that the institute will instill John Marshall’s principles of public service to all who come in contact with it.”

As the honored speakers and guests retired to a catered luncheon, the closing words of Congressman Rahall continued to reverberate.

“Today is a good advertisement,” he said. Now the work continues.”

Benita Heath is freelance writer living in Ashland, Ky.
Marshall University's sports fans have earned their reputation nationally as enthusiasts who will go to great lengths to display their loyalty. It isn't unusual for them to dress in green from head to toe, design outrageous wigs from green and white pompons, endure freezing temperatures without a shirt or spend months planning tailgate parties. All Marshall fans play a vital role in maintaining and heightening the spirit of the game, but there are some that will go the extra mile...literally.

Marshall graduates Bart and Doris Andrews have drawn a lot of attention during their travels, through all 48 states on the mainland, with their motor home. The 2000 Beaver Patriot is the 7th motor home the couple has purchased since 1986 and furnishes everything needed to travel in comfort and style.

The exterior, painted in shades of Marshall green, also features an airbrushed mural of a thundering herd of buffalo designed by Dennis Dame of Harrisburg, Oregon. The entrance door has a customized stain glass window that has been used on all the previous motor homes.

"I don't care where we are, whether we're in Arkansas or California, we do receive acknowledgements," says Bart. "That is to say, they'll pass us with thumbs up out of the sun roofs or windows or toot their horns. They recognize the Herd and appreciate the mural. It gets all kinds of responses from all kinds of people. We've had innumerable fans and alumni come by and ask if it's okay to have their picture.
taken with the mural. It's a lot of fun. We enjoy supporting the Herd and the university.”

Rolling down the road, the Andrews and their guests have all the comforts of home with an interior that provides a

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— Benjy Steele

living room, kitchen, bedroom, private bath and two televisions. When parked, Bart extends the living room with a 16-inch motorized pull-out and then kicks back in his monogrammed Marshall green leather recliner. The couple also pulls a Marshall detailed Honda CRV behind the motor home, and for even quicker travel around the campgrounds Bart recently purchased a scooter detailed to match the Honda.

Another Marshall-inspired vehicle that draws attention and admiration is Benjy Steele's “Thunder Hog.” The 1984 buffalo hide covered Tour Glide, showcased in his Harley Davidson store, has been anchored securely for children to climb and play on, because “once they see it, all the other bikes in the store seem to disappear.”

The idea for the bike originally came from a friend in Kansas City 15 years ago, because Steele wanted to ride something “crazy” to the Black Hills Rally. It was difficult to find a taxidermist willing to do the job, because they thought Steele was crazy,

(Opposite Left) Bart and Doris Andrews' green motor home features a living room, kitchen, bedroom, private bath and two televisions. (Opposite Top) The Andrews say the airbrushed mural of a thundering herd of buffalo elicits all kinds of responses from passersby. (Above) Businessman Benjy Steele converted one of his Harleys into the “Thunder Hog,” which leads the football team onto the field at home games.
too. Finally, 80-year-old Chuck Litzah of Minnesota said, “If you’re crazy enough to build it, I guess I’m crazy enough to find you a buffalo.” It took Litzah two years, but Steele says it was well worth the wait.

“The fans love the Thunder Hog,” says Steele. “The response we get when we’re out is unbelievable. Young people, old people, kids, but especially the football players. They get the biggest charge out of it. My favorite time on the bike was when we led the football team out for the MAC championship. They were running out behind us down the ramp and then we made a couple of laps around the field with Marco on the back. The opposing team mascot was standing out there. We ran him off the sideline and the crowd just went crazy. The whole experience was, by far, the biggest thrill ever.”

Other fans want to add, change or improve something to their Marshall transportation. Steele has no plans of altering his Harley, but adds, “a whole herd of Thundering Hogs isn’t out of the question.”

Another die-hard fan who arrives in style is Sam Stanley, assistant vice president of Marshall’s Alumni Relations department. Last year while looking for a used car, Sam found a green 2000 Hyundai Tiburon and thought, “No one else in this town can own this car but me.” Sam bought the car immediately, but was a little concerned about his wife’s reaction to the purchase.

“I told Sue I was going to look for a
good used car, and then when I called her and told her I was going to get a new sports car, she was a little upset at first,” Sam says, laughing. “When she actually saw the car she said, ‘Okay, now I know why you bought it.’

“It’s a good conversation piece and I haven’t really seen anyone that doesn’t like it. I travel a lot in it and I’m going to take it to Florida and maybe Texas. I have a lot of people honk at me on the road. People are used to rabid fans and I think a lot of them look at me and say, ‘There’s another nut from Marshall.’ One time I walked into a service station and I had on my Marshall wind suit and they said, ‘Mister, I’ve never seen anyone that has a car that matches their school colors before.’”

For something unique, look no further than Bill and Dottie Bare’s “Thunder Trolley.” Once used in Ashland, Ky., as a city transportation bus, the train is a caboose look-alike. The couple has converted it into the perfect family ride to Marshall football and basketball games.

But they aren’t the only ones who find it an irresistible ride. Marshall’s cheerleaders have asked to use it in a number of parades.

“They loved riding in it,” says Bill. “They could hang out of the windows and stand on the platform on the back and wave to the crowd. We played the school fight song over the loud speaker for them. We use it in a lot of parades. We’ve even had requests for the trolley in two weddings. The bride and groom like the standing platform on the back.”

The diesel trolley has a solid oak interior with oak and wrought iron scrollwork benches, etched glass windows and the original coin collector. Bill plans to retire this year and wants to spend some of his time converting the current blue interior to Marshall green. The Thunder Trolley hasn’t seen many away games, because its top speed is only 58 miles per hour. The entire Bare family uses the trolley for all of Marshall’s home games, though.

“I graduated from Marshall in ’69 and my daughter graduated in ’94,” says Bill. “My son and daughter are both big fans, but their kids are even bigger fans. I’ve used the trolley to pick the grandkids up from school. All the school buses will be lined up out front to board the kids and there’s my trolley waiting for the boys.”

During their annual pre-season tailgate party, Clyde and Sharon Fuller use their green and white ’94 Chevy Coachman van as a mile marker to welcome more than 300 guests.

The Fullers’ van was one of four designed to express Marshall spirit, but it’s the “Big Green Tailgate Machine” that gets the most attention at home games. The green pull trailer has large service windows on both sides and a Thunder Alley sign hangs over the stove where the Fullers work hard to keep their friends fed during halftime.

“We specialize in Metts, but we serve other things, too,” says Clyde. “We had counters installed under the windows and cabinets designed inside to make it easy for us to keep everything organized. We have a lot of friends that tailgate with us and they really enjoy this. I figure the football players are getting in shape. Why shouldn’t the tailgaters?”

Cynda Bontekoe, a friend of the Fullers, adds, “We’ve been coming to this party for four or five years and it is so much fun. We can’t wait for football season and we consider this our physical and mental training. This gets us all ready. Our favorite thing about the party is the camaraderie of all the Marshall fans.”

Tamara Endicott, a graduate student at Marshall University, is a freelance writer living in Huntington, W.Va.
Marco finally reveals the university’s new logo...

written by Sara Armstrong • photography by David E. Fattaleh

"Hello Dr. Angel, would you like to play a game?"
As a crowd of more than 500 people in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse watched, the computer on the large screen behind Marshall’s President Dan Angel raced against him to complete a puzzle that revealed the new Marshall logo.
The ceremony to unveil the new logo began at 10 a.m. Wednesday, August 8, and included a special appearance by Marco, who brought the "Top Secret" logo into the playhouse and a video history of previous official Marshall logos.
As the puzzle pieces containing the logo came together, they revealed a capital M in “serious green,” and a new “more determined” Marco combined with a black bar that reads "Marshall."
Marshall graduate Brian Sayre summed up most people’s reactions to the new logo when he said, “I think it’s great. We needed something to solidify what Marshall is. When you see this, you think of Marshall.”
Also revealed was a whole family of logo variations that will be used in marketing and promoting Marshall University.
The simple and crisp design of the M is one that employees of the Office of University Communications said would be easily recognizable, but different and unique to Marshall because of the deeper shade of green and the unique style of the letter with serifs that are sleeker and more curved.
“The standardization of the green was a big issue. We needed to pick one and go with it,” Angel said.
The “more determined” Marco is not the only rendition of Marco to be used in the logo family.
anymore!
Two Marcos join to create a herd for a special mark and a new younger version of a smiling Marco named Lil' Marco was added.

Lil' Marco will be used for programs targeted to younger audiences and for marketing of toys and other merchandise.

"We have a family of logos that achieve the same goal – to recognize Marshall no matter what part of it is shown to the public," Angel said.

The new logos and all letter marks were designed by Phil Evans, a Huntington native and former Marshall student. Evans said it took a long time for everyone to agree on a new family of logos for the university.

"It was a very long process. It took about a year and a half from start to finish," he said.

The need for a new logo has been voiced for several years. However, it was President Angel’s decision to proceed with the project that finally got the ball rolling. The logo is one component of the MU 2010 plan to give Marshall national prominence.

"This is a green letter day for Marshall," Angel said. "There’s an excitement with any launch, but Marshall University is taking off and going vertical."

H. Keith Spears, vice president for communications, said the logo is important because it sends a message to people and it appears in so many places nationwide.

"The logo planning committee wanted to better illustrate the nationally prominent image that Marshall deserves," Spears said. "Since the mid-80s Marshall has come alive as a state institution and having the map in the logo was appropriate at the time."

"One of the reasons we changed the logo was to get beyond the state image," Angel said. "We're trying to become regionally and nationally known and to have students coming in from other states."

"The reason for the change of the logo came after Dr. Angel was inaugurated," Spears recalled. "For several years people have been asking us to update the logo. Dr. Angel gave us the green light to proceed, so to speak."

Marshall University has had four official logos. The first logo was the lamp of learning and was used from 1906 until 1943. The John Marshall Seal was the second logo used from 1943 to 1981. The Twin Towers Oval logo was utilized from 1981 to 1987. And finally, the state of West Virginia sandwiched between a capital “M” and a lowercase “u” (also known as the “pork chop” logo) was used from 1987 until August 8, 2001.

The new logo goes into effect immediately, although the just-replaced logo will be seen around campus as stationery
with the old symbol is depleted and signs are repainted. Faculty and staff will deplete their current stock of stationery before ordering new supplies.

“A lot of people didn’t like our old logo,” Angel said. “It didn’t possess our new 21st century look.”

Several local vendors were present at the unveiling to sell items emblazoned with the new logo. A portion of profits from that day’s sales were sent to aid victims of the summer flooding in the southern part of the state. Items that feature the old logos can be sold only until January of 2002.

“There are several other changes,” Jim Morgan, owner of Stadium Bookstore, explained. “They are reserving the John Marshall Seal in Latin for official university documents and

“Our new logo proclaims to the world: ‘Marshall University, a proud past and a prominent future.’”

— President Dan Angel

the John Marshall Statue logo is only applicable for certain uses within the institution.”

Other announcements made at the unveiling were the institution’s official change of address from 400 Hal Greer Boulevard to One John Marshall Drive and that Marshall’s cheerleading squad had won the most spirited award at a recent national competition. Not to be outdone, Marco, proud protector of the new logo, was named the top mascot at the same competition.

But perhaps most impressive was President Angel’s announcement that Marshall University ranked third in the nation for school’s receiving federal earmarked funds.

“You get an earmarked dollar if it goes to your institution. If it goes to another institution, it’s pork,” Angel explained as the crowd erupted in laughter.

“Our new logo proclaims to the world: ‘Marshall University, a proud past and a prominent future.’”

Sara Armstrong is from Parkersburg, W. Va., and is a junior at Marshall University majoring in print journalism.
as a reward for completing an after-school tutoring program, a class of elementary school children are given a "free hour" in the school's brand new computer lab. After 50 minutes, the teacher announces that the students can now stop working on the computers and have some ice cream before heading to their next class.

No one moves...the teacher again tells them to go get their ice cream. Finally one student pipes up, "Do we have to? I'd rather stay at my computer a few more minutes." The teacher agrees that anyone who wants to stay instead of eating ice cream is free to do so. Not one child leaves...not one child!

This is what routinely happens in the computer lab at Kellogg Elementary School in the Westmoreland section of Huntington. And, perhaps even more amazing, the lab was built completely from private donations. Here's how it happened.

In early 1999, Angie Buck happened to mention to her grandfather, Huntington businessman Robert Shell, Jr., that she sure enjoyed using the computer at school, but wished she didn't have to wait so long to use it since there was only one for the whole class. Mr. Shell checked into this and discovered that, while there was a plan to put state of the art computer labs in every school in Wayne County, the high schools were being done first, then the middle schools, and finally the elementary schools. He realized that his grand-
RING

the digital divide

article by Dan O'Hanlon - photography by Rick Lee

Marshall partners with Kellogg Elementary to create the first school in the state with video-conferencing capabilities.
the project was privately funded, it cut through a lot of the red tape that slows down any state or federal project. As a result, less than four months after the idea was conceived, Kellogg School had a lab full of excited children glued to their computer screens, turning down ice cream. A $200,000 dream had been realized in record time.

On May 24, 1999, Governor and Mrs. Cecil Underwood were joined by Mayor Jean Dean and State Sen. Bob Plymale to dedicate the new elementary school lab in Wayne County. Calling it a “model of cooperation,” the Governor said, “This is an investment in the future and I am very excited that students will be able to learn using this tool.”

Robert Shell told the crowd of proud parents, teachers and students, “It's time to stop waiting for the help from government. It's our duty to prepare our children for the 21st Century.”

Arlen Keane, who trained programmers at Microsoft before coming to Huntington, says that a computer lab is like adding Miracle-Gro to a child's educational experience.

“Their ability to use the internet to do research now comes as easily to them as using a dictionary or an encyclopedia. Knowing how to use a computer program, or how to make and use computer files, will serve them well all their lives and prepare them for future jobs.”

The computer learning tools allow each child to learn at his or her own pace, without the embarrassment of having their skill level constantly compared with other students. Using the new Accelerated Reader program let Shane, a fourth grader, improve his reading level 1.6 years in just four months.

Hannah, a second grader, and Sarah, a third grader, improved their reading 2.4 years in the same period. In fact, the entire school significantly improved its overall scores on the SAT9 after less than a year of using the new lab.

(Left) Students at Kellogg Elementary allow children to learn at their own skill levels and significantly improve their reading and math abilities. (Left) Students at Kellogg have been known to turn down ice cream to continue working on their computers. (Below) Teachers at the school who were once a bit intimidated by computers are now enthusiastic supporters. (Opposite) The ribbon-cutting ceremony signified the beginning of a new era for Kellogg Elementary.
And, it's not just the students who are learning. Teachers at the school who once were a bit intimidated by computers are now their most enthusiastic supporters.

Ruth Spangler, who teaches fourth grade, says, “The computer lab has opened the world of technology to the students, staff and parents of the Westmoreland area. The lab has inspired me to learn new ideas to share with my students. Mr. Shell, in donating funds for the installation of the lab, has touched many lives and inspired not only children, but adults to move forward in the technology area.”

The lab is now run by network professional James Adkins, whose salary is donated by a local company. His idea of starting an after-school computer club had such a huge response, he had to break it into four different sections. He also allowed the lab to stay open in the summer after school had ended. Students came day after day on their own to continue using the reading and math programs, as well as other computer resources available in the lab. Many of them have learned to create their own home pages. Third grader Alyssa says, “I like going to the computer lab because when I'm having fun I'm also learning. So I think the computer lab is a great idea.”

Menis Ketchum, a Kellogg graduate who generously contributed both time and money to help make this all a reality, likes to tell a story about when he was a rambunctious first-grader at the school. “We had an eighth-grader who was a patrolboy and he was pretty strict. It seems like he was always making me stand in the 'penalty box.'”

The patrolboy's name was Marshall Reynolds. And it was in honor of that same eighth grader that Robert Shell insisted the lab be named. No one was more surprised than Reynolds when the name of the lab was announced at the dedication.

“I'm pleased with the gesture,” he said, “but this project is a credit to Bob Shell. I can remember when this school was very different. I think this computer lab is great for the kids.”

On October 23, 2000, the City of Huntington honored Reynolds, Shell and all of those involved in making this incredible computer lab a reality for the children of Westmoreland. The city recognized that, since the computer lab has opened, contributions have allowed the entire school to upgrade its security cameras and alarms. Additionally, the school has been able to upgrade all the existing classroom computers and connect them into the lab, so students can access the programs from their classrooms. This more than doubled the number of computers from 28 to more than 60.

Building the lab has taught the parents and teachers at Kellogg to dream big dreams. They currently are planning to raise more money to buy laptop computers for kids to “check out” like library books and take home evenings and weekends. They would like to add an additional networked computer to each classroom.

And, they now have joined with Marshall University to become the first elementary school in West Virginia to have videoconferencing capabilities.

On August 21, 2001, the June Harless Demonstration Site was dedicated by President Dan Angel, benefactor Buck Harless and other community leaders. This will be a model site for student teaching developed in cooperation with Dean Larry Froehlich of the Marshall College of Education and the Wayne County School Board. It features a kindergarten and first grade class with full interactive video to the College of Education, where student teachers can watch actual classroom teaching in progress and discuss the best teaching practices demonstrated by veteran teachers in the classroom. It also will allow the elementary school students to take virtual field trips to sites all over the world.

The story of the “little school that could” ends much differently from the way it began. Angie no longer has to wait in line to use the computer. Parents and teachers have learned that a community can take control of its own destiny and create the future their children want and need.

And the kids? Well, they wanted to be sure and invite you to stop by and see their new lab anytime. What's that you say? No, parking won't be a problem, because you'll fly through space and visit them at www.kelloggschool.com.

Judge Dan O'Hanlon won the Governor's Technology Award in 1999. He serves as the technology advisor on the Kellogg Lab project.
Instead of playing second fiddle to a whirlwind like the Marshall football program the last few years, both the men’s and women’s basketball programs at Marshall are primed to make a move into the spotlight in 2001.

However, each program will go about making waves in a separate way. Here’s a 2001 preseason breakdown of both the men’s and women’s basketball programs at Marshall.

**Marshall Men’s Basketball 2001**

Under the guidance of sixth-year coach (and former Marshall player) Greg White, the men’s program at Marshall is once again chock-full of talent and ready to burst at the seams. Coming off an 18-9 record in 2000 that saw the season end with a surprising second-round loss to Ball State (84-81) in the Mid-American Conference tournament in Cleveland, White and company are looking to build on that disappointment as motivation in 2001.

Still, last year was the team’s best conference record (12-6) since Marshall rejoined the MAC in 1997.

“We’ve just been chipping away,” White commented recently about where his team stands entering the 2001-02 season. “We’ve gotten the program to the point where we’re going to get good players.”

White’s talent cabinet is fully stocked. Led by seniors Tamar Slay and J.R. VanHoose, the 2001 Thundering Herd’s front line also will be aided by returning forward Latece Williams (6-8 senior).
Slay (6-9, 210) bypassed a shot at the NBA for his senior season at Marshall, and chances are that will pay off handsomely for the fiercely talented guard/forward. Averaging 17.3 points per game last year, he is a conundrum on the court: taller than most guards, but with the ball-handling ability of a 5-10 player. Guard him with a small, quick guy, and he’ll leap over the defender on the way to the basket. Guard him with a big man, and Slay will stay outside and shoot three-pointers all night long.

Slay has been ranked the #1 shooting guard in the nation by cbs.sportsline.com’s George Rodecker, and is one of only 16 collegiate players chosen as finalists for the United States World University Games squad.

Fans should go to a Marshall game in 2001-02, just to say they saw him play. Slay will be in the NBA within one year.

VanHoose (6-10, 255) finished 2000 with 20 double-doubles in 27 games, second only to Iowa’s Reggie Evans. VanHoose led the MAC in rebounding, and finished third in the nation with his 11.1 rebounds per game. As fundamental as a basketball player can possibly be, VanHoose’s solid play at center will be the basis around which White plans on winning the MAC in 2001.
Sophomore Ardo Armpalu (6-10, 260) will be VanHoose’s primary backup, and exhibited some budding talent off the bench as a freshman in 2000.

Latece Williams burst onto the Marshall scene in 2000, adding an athletic ability in the paint that produced an average of 10.5 points and 6.4 rebounds per game. He is the team’s most vicious dunk artist and shot-blocker. Williams rang up 48 blocked shots in 2000-01, good for third place in the MAC, and fourth highest block total in Marshall history.

Senior William Butler will finally get a shot at being the superstar White believed he could have been last year. However, Butler severely injured his knee during warmups at the preseason Thursday Night Thunder rally, and missed the entire year. Still, White knows what Butler is capable of, and cannot wait to see him play on the Henderson Center floor.

Losing three senior guards to graduation is never an easy loss to overcome. At guard, Marshall looks to benefit from Temple transfer Ronald Blackshear (6-5, 210), as well as two returners in Monty Wright (6-4, 205) and Enoch Bunch (6-0, 190). Freshman Ronny Dawn (6-3, 185) will vie for playing time at the guard spot as well.

“I’ve got nine new guys in the program,” said White. “A lot of youth. But a lot of talent.”

Blackshear could be the player who makes the biggest impact for White’s squad in the coming season. He is a deadly shooter, with a deft three-point touch from all points outside the circle. Blackshear has wowed observers in practice with his shooting skills, and once eligible to play at the end of the fall semester, could be the “one to watch.”

With a solid group of returning players, backed with talented transfers and incoming freshmen, White stands as good a chance as ever of fielding a MAC title-winning team. An early potential matchup (via a tournament win over George Washington) with powerhouse Kentucky could be an indicator of just how good this team will be once MAC play begins in late December. White wants a MAC title, and badly. “The MAC will be better than ever,” he said.

The talent is there, and the program under White is as stable as it has ever been. Only time will tell.

Marshall Women’s Basketball

Unlike White, new Marshall women’s basketball coach Royce Chadwick hasn’t had a whole lot of time to stock the talent cabinet. Nonetheless, Chadwick feels he has all the makings of a good team in 2001-02, one that could put Marshall women’s basketball back on the path to being a conference power in the MAC.

Which is precisely why Chadwick was hired by Marshall President Dan Angel in the first place. Chadwick arrived at Marshall last winter, replacing former coach Juliene Simpson, with the sole purpose of putting the women’s program back on the map. Having
coached at Stephen F. Austin State University in Texas, Chadwick brings to the table a stellar basketball coaching record that includes seven (that's right, seven) consecutive appearances in the NCAA tournament, along with seven (lucky number) Southland Conference tournament titles. Chadwick compiled a 128-14 conference record at SFA.

Winning follows Chadwick, it appears. He has big plans for Marshall women's basketball.

"MU has only won 30 games in the last four years," Chadwick said recently. "So, we've got a lot of work to do on the 'w' side of our ledger."

The top returning players for Chadwick are sophomore forward Catie Knable (6-2), junior center Amy Reed (6-3), and senior forward Au'Yana Ferguson (5-11).

"Catie has a lot of experience," Chadwick said. "She is just a hard-nosed, get down, bite-you-to-beat-you kind of player."

Sophomores Brook Betts (5-8), Lindsey Harrison (5-10), Susan Davis (5-8), Cassie Hackworth (5-9), and Andrea Fitzgerald (5-6) will all vie for playing time at the guard spot, along with the new Chadwick recruits, juniors KeTara Lee (5-8) and Ida Dotson (5-9), and senior Melissa Arnold (5-3). Dotson in particular will be one to watch in 2000-01, as the junior college transfer from Central Arizona Community College has been described as talented as they come.

"Ida is a great player who brings a scorer's mentality to our program," Chadwick said. "She is a two-time Kodak All-American, who has done nothing but win in her career. She is a tough competitor who will make an immediate impact on our basketball team."

Dotson averaged 15.6 points, 4.4 rebounds, 3.1 assists and 3.0 steals per game in 2000.

Underneath, look for centers Shawna Streeter (6-3) and Reed (6-3) to be joined by forwards Ferguson (5-11), Knable (6-2), Adrianne Smalls (6-1), and Latae Cooley (6-1).

Putting a program back on the path to righteousness is never easy, but it is a process that Chadwick understands all too well. Chadwick has nothing but a winner as a coach, and sees no reason why that cannot – nay, will not – happen in his tenure at Marshall. Just to show he and the program mean business, Chadwick has tabbed the first home game against Navy on December 5 as an example of what is to come.

"December the 5th, we want to set the record for home attendance in the state of West Virginia, in the MAC, and for Marshall University," Chadwick said. Hoping to attract a full house for the first game, Chadwick and staff look to set the tone for the rest of the year by getting off on the right foot. It is a lofty goal, but one that, if successful, will contribute more to the program than most folks can imagine.

"That's the best thing you can do," Chadwick added. "You can show up for that game. It will be worth two points a game for us the rest of the year, with the shockwave that'll send through the rest of the women's basketball world."

Staring down his first year at Marshall University, Chadwick has indeed set lofty goals. Will he reach them all, as he did at Stephen F. Austin? May be not in the first year.

But consider this: Chadwick and his staff have been to a combined 34 NCAA Tournaments. And that is reason enough to go and see what all the hubbub is about come November.

Greg Perry, who graduated from Marshall University in 1989, is the publisher of the Herd Insider.
BILL COSBY
coming to Marshall Artist Series

The 65th season of the MAS promises to be the best ever.

by Leslie Birdwell
eading the schedule for the Marshall Artist Series is an exercise in anticipation. This season, the series’ 65th year, will be one to remember. From the moment a dancer’s foot strikes the boards to the second the full notes of an orchestra reach your ears, you’ll agree with Penny Watkins, executive director of the Marshall Artist Series, that this is a blockbuster year. Enter first the TapDogs from Australia, a six-man dance group shed in work boots. They’ve been described as “part theatre and part dance, part rock concert and part construction site,” and they will tap out rhythms on steel plates for a solid 90 minutes. Other high-kicking action comes in January when Can-Can de Paris brings Moulin Rouge style French music hall choreography to the Keith-Albee.

Dance, music and story come together three times: RENT in November, TITANIC in January and RAGTIME in May. RAGTIME is based on E.L. Doctrow's novel about early twentieth century America, and TITANIC won five Tony Awards in 1997. RENT, loosely based on Puccini's opera La Boheme, is the story of struggling artists in New York City. “RENT has never played the state,” says Watkins. “It’s a musical that took New York by storm. We’ll have it for two days.”

The brightest star on the stage is Bill Cosby, America’s favorite Dad and long-time comedian. “Cosby hasn’t played anywhere else in this market,” says Watkins. This is a return visit to the area for Cosby, who played the Civic Arena in the late 1980s. This time, he brings along a bittersweet touch.
“Mr. Cosby’s representatives, the William Morris agency, had a special request,” explains Watkins. “All ushers and staff are to wear MU sweatshirts, stitched with the phrase, ‘Hello Friend’ as a memorial to Cosby’s son, the late Ennis Williams Cosby, who always greeted people in this manner.” Ennis was murdered in 1997 in California while changing a tire.

Watkins muses on what it would be like if everyone who went to the show wore a “Hello Friend” shirt as well.

And don’t forget another favorite, the Gambler himself, Kenny Rogers, forced to strike Huntington from his tour schedule last year due to the weather. He returns to perform Christmas from the Heart at the Huntington Civic Arena.

You have to ask – how did Huntington get so lucky? Luck, as Mae West might say, has nothing to do with it. The community of Huntington believes in what the series provides. And the performances aren’t just classical or just pop or just for students. The mission is to provide cultural enrichment for everyone.

“Students who have never seen an opera can go, they have that exposure,” says Watkins. “It’s hard to articulate what that does for you.

“Marshall’s artist series is the second oldest of its kind in the nation,” she adds. Sixty-five years is quite a milestone and the series has survived with lots of cooperation.

The fact that the organization is really town and gown makes for a solid financial structure. Seventy percent of the funding comes from the community, 30 percent from the state. However, most of that 30 percent is from student activity fees charged to pay for events like this. So, very little money actually comes from public funding.

“There is no advertising budget,” Watkins says. “When I first came here, I didn’t understand. We rely on the media, like Don Ray at WSAZ-TV. He’s a key person who has been at the helm of advertising for the series for some time now.”

And everything costs. A major ballet might cost $60,000 and the MAS can’t afford an opera and a major ballet company every year, so they rotate. Watkins makes choices based on where’s touring where.

“I find out where groups are touring, their routes, their schedules, and how much they cost.”

Unfortunately, air accessibility keeps some performers from coming to the region. But lack of a MAS-owned venue and money worries don’t prevent top performers from showcasing their talents for the people of the Tri-State. And to make sure that the series delivers the goods, Watkins talked to people in the community to get some input.

“The audience is changing,” she explains. “Each year we have more people in the 30-50 year old range and our schedule this year reflects what they want to see.”

She also gets input from a work-group to choose the titles for the popular International Film festivals in the spring and fall. Marshall students and community people get together and do research. They look for films from several different countries and try to find out what international films have played well by talking to other theatres.

“It’s not cheap to run at least three or four Academy Award winners,” Watkins explains. “But the Hyman family at the Keith-Albee donates the space. The Radisson Hotel also helps to promote the film series. None of this happens without a lot of underwriting.”

This year’s films come from countries including Mexico, Great Britain, China, Belgium, the Czech Republic and Germany, and include tales of love and its mysteries, moral conflicts and ambiguity, the world of gambling, and divided loyalties during World War II.

Underwriting, ticket buyers and the Philharmonic Club are the key funding sources. Philharmonic Club members donate money above the cost of their season tickets. But as local companies are bought by larger concerns with no ties to the city, underwriting doesn’t get any easier.

The MAS doesn’t rest on its past. It now utilizes TicketMaster, available online or at music and grocery stores. This system also enables people from out of town to purchase individual tickets with ease.

The series continues to mean a lot to people on a personal level. Head Usher Bob Edmunds, a professor of communications studies at Marshall, has attended series events since he was a student at MU in the 1960s. He considers his ushering commitment a way to give back to the community. When asked about his favorites, he recalls Mark Russell’s wit and major musicals such as Camelot and The Sound of Music. “I’m anxious to see Bill Cosby,” he adds.

Who isn’t? There’s still time to get season tickets for the whole series, including the play ART, The Mozarteum Orchestra of Salzburg and the German puppet troupe Das Puppenspiel. Individual tickets are available from Ticketmaster, either by calling (304) 523-5757 or going online to www.ticketmaster.com. So get excited about the arts in your community – it’s not hard to do during the MAS 2001-02 season.

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Tapdogs #: 8 p.m. Keith-Albee Theatre

November 5 & 6, 2001
Rent #: 8 p.m. Keith-Albee Theatre

November 16, 2001
Bill Cosby #: 6:30 & 9 p.m. Huntington Civic Arena

December 7, 2001
Kenny Rogers “Christmas From The Heart”
8 p.m. #: Huntington Civic Arena

January 14, 2002
Can Can de Paris #: 8 p.m. Keith-Albee Theatre

January 29, 2002
Titanic – The Musical #: 8 p.m. Keith-Albee Theatre

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Spring International Film Festival
Cinema Theatre

March 1, 2002
Das Puppenspiel
“The Snow Queen” #: 7 p.m. Keith-Albee Theatre

March 2, 2002
Das Puppenspiel “Peter and the Wolf” #: 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.
Das Puppenspiel “The Snow Queen” #: 7 p.m.

March 19, 2001
ART #: 8 p.m. Keith-Albee Theatre

April 9, 2002
Mozarteum Orchestra of Salzburg #: 8 p.m. Keith-Albee Theatre

May 7, 2002
RAGTIME #: 8 p.m. Keith-Albee Theatre
As director of Marshall University's Forensic Science Center, the headquarters for West Virginia's CODIS laboratory, Dr. Terry Fenger is on the cutting edge of the biotechnology industry that is bringing jobs to the Mountain State and accolades to MU.

In 1994, the West Virginia Legislature decreed Marshall, under the authority of the West Virginia State Police, to be the testing site for the state's CODIS Lab. CODIS is an acronym for Combined DNA Index System, which is used to create a Convicted Offender DNA Databank of criminals serving time in West Virginia penitentiaries. The databank then is linked to the national database at the FBI Center in Clarksburg, W.Va.

"Those individuals who are incarcerated in our prisons fall under certain felony categories," Fenger said. "By law, these people are tested for DNA and put into a state database."

Every state has similar projects, Fenger said.

"The idea is when these individuals are paroled from prison and, say, someone from West Virginia moves to California and commits a crime, the authorities can take DNA from the crime scene and make a comparison," he said.

"We extract DNA from the cells and we go through a process to analyze it. All databasing labs have to be on the same page. We all are analyzing 13 specific sites on DNA that give rise to a person's profile."

Fenger said he considers the database a search engine between the evidence at a crime scene and the database.

"That just sets the process in motion," he said. "Just because it matches it doesn't mean you can arrest someone. That is the first link. Then a warrant from the courts has to be made and a new sample taken and that starts the actual legal process."

Marshall is the only university in the country working on establishing this database, Fenger said, and, thanks to the support of Sen. Robert C. Byrd, the center has state-of-the-art instrumentation available for genetic analysis.

Fenger, who's been at Marshall for 22 years, has extensive academic credentials. He earned a bachelor's degree in microbiology from Southern Illinois University in 1970, then six years later received his PhD in virology from the same institution. From 1976 to 1979, he was a post-doctoral fellow at Louisiana State University Medical Center. Later in '79, Fenger came to Marshall as an assistant professor at the School of Medicine. In 1991, he became a full professor, taking over the reins of the department of microbiology two years later and the forensic science program and the CODIS program in 1994.

In 1997, the university awarded the first master's degree in forensic science, a curriculum that offers extensive classroom and field study in such areas as DNA technologies,
bio-terrorism, crime scene investigation, toxicology, fingerprinting, ballistics and digital image processing. Marshall is one of just 10 programs to offer an advanced degree in forensic sciences.

But, Marshall's role in the field of DNA testing expands to realms beyond criminal investigations. About three years ago, the Forensic Science Center teamed with the state's Department of Agriculture to develop a database that helps track pollutants in West Virginia's streams and rivers. This database focuses on different strains of *E. coli*, the bacterium found in warm-blooded animals.

"It is used as an indicator of water pollution to show that there is contamination," Fenger said. "We are correlating these particular bacteria from wild deer, swine, geese, so forth. Once we get this database, we can go to the water and take samples and if there is any contaminant, we have a good probability of saying this came from wild deer or the like."

When the Illinois native came to Marshall, he didn't know much about the university or the community. But that changed quickly. "I liked the community right off the bat and I liked the feeling I got being here at Marshall," Fenger said. "It seemed like a developing school with a lot of opportunities to grow academically. I enjoy teaching the students about the new technology and helping train the future scientists of the country. The challenges are keeping abreast of the new advances and making sure we remain cutting edge."

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Late this summer your alma mater unveiled school marks which are pictured and detailed elsewhere in this publication.

The biggest change is the buffalo or Marco. The one donning a sailor’s hat with “Marshall” printed on the bill has been put on the shelf. In place we have a leaner buffalo with a more serious look, even though he’s not snorting.

You’ll be seeing these revised marks on all university publications, letterheads, envelopes, pins, badges and just about on all items Marshall distributes to its target audiences, including alumni, friends and students.

A new block “M” is part of the revisions. It’s just different enough that it’s unique to Marshall. The committee looked at all colleges and universities in the country whose name started with “M” and came up with an “M” that’s different from them all.

The most difficult decision came on the school color, with a goal of coming up with a “green” that would be acceptable with alumni and Thundering Herd fans, but also a color which would be available to clothing merchandisers.

The new green, which has been labeled “Marshall Green,” is technically Pantone green No. 357. It’s darker than kelly green, but lighter than forest or hunter green.

All the marks were designed by Phil Evans, a former student of Marshall who has a graphic design business in Huntersville, N.C.

But let us get back to Marco and look at the history of the Marshall mascot. Marco was unveiled in the 1954 Chief Justice, the school’s yearbook. The popular buffalo character was the creation of John “Jack” Carlsen, the student editor-in-chief in 1954. Jack (BA ’54) is a retired community college administrator who resides in Flushing, Mich., with his wife Vause Smith Carlsen (BA ’54).

Carlsen labeled his drawing “MARCO” in all capital letters, and the name was an abbreviation for Marshall College. MARCO in the yearbook is not wearing a sailor hat and is not snorting. These two items came later and whoever made these additions is not known.

In all, MARCO was on 20 different pages, mostly section fronts, in the 1954 Chief Justice, plus being prominently pictured on the cover of the leather bound publication.

The first two pages of the yearbook have a banner across the top which reads, “MARCO drops out of the Thundering Herd and pays his respects to Marshall College.” And then on Page 4, it reads, “From the hustle and bustle of students on campus, before and after class hours – and even before and after the school term – a bystander such as MARCO, the Marshall buffalo, might be led to believe that all college life does not take place in the classroom.”

We thank you, Jack Carlsen, for giving us a depiction of a mascot that lasted 47 years. We have a new “Marco” now, but yours will always be part of us and part of the wonderful history of Marshall University.

If you want to chat about the new or old “Marco” or do some Herdnobbing about any issue concerning Marshall University, just give me a call (800) 682-5869 or (304) 696-2526 or an e-mail (stanleys@marshall.edu).
MARSHALL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, HERD INSIDER ENTER PARTNERSHIP

The Marshall University Alumni Association and the independent weekly Herd Insider have entered into a partnership arrangement that ultimately will generate revenue for both entities.

Herd Insider, a weekly fan publication covering Marshall sports exclusively and begun in 1998 by Marshall alumnus Greg Perry (BA '89), will be marketed to Marshall alumni, with a percentage of each subscription generated going back to the Marshall Alumni Association. In addition, the MUAA will receive advertising exposure in Herd Insider, plus other benefits.

"The goal is to have the MUAA highly visible to Herd Insider's current readership and, at the same time, generate new readers via our partnership with the MUAA. Everybody wins," said Perry. "It's a natural fit: Marshall sports fans are also Marshall alumni, and vice-versa. Being far away from Huntington makes it tough to keep up to date on Marshall sports, and Herd Insider can do that nicely for the out-of-state Marshall fan."

Sam Stanley, assistant vice president for alumni relations at Marshall, agrees with Perry.

"Our alumni who are not familiar with Herd Insider are in for a delightful surprise," said Stanley. "The publication does a great job covering Herd sports and provides insights not found elsewhere. We're happy to have this arrangement with Greg and the Herd Insider."

Herd Insider is published 29 times a year, weekly September through mid-March and every six weeks during the summer. A one-year subscription goes for $39.95 mailed anywhere in the continental U.S. Coverage of Marshall football and basketball, plus opinionated columnists, recruiting coverage, and player profiles highlight a typical weekly issue. Circulation of Herd Insider is more than 6,000 with the majority coming via a partnership that puts a copy of Herd Insider in The Wayne County News every week.

"This partnership with the MUAA is a goal I've had since starting Herd Insider," Perry said. "Giving something back to Marshall is at the top of my to-do list, and will be for the rest of my life."

For more information, please contact Herd Insider publisher Greg Perry at (304) 697-0850 or (304) 416-3551; or e-mail at herdinsider@zoomnet.net.

"Ashes to Glory" wins regional Emmy

Television's highest honor was awarded to Ashes to Glory at the 37th Annual Midwestern Regional Emmy Awards. The film, a co-production of Witek & Novak and West Virginia Public Broadcasting, tells the story of the 1970 Marshall University plane crash and the rebuilding efforts following the tragedy.

Receiving the award were John Witek, producer; Steve Chapman, line producer; and Deborah Novak (BA '75), director. Novak accepted the Emmy "on behalf of the people of Huntington, the people of Marshall University and for the 75 people who are watching from heaven." The Emmys were hosted by ESPN anchor Betsy Ross and Rodger Bingham, also known as 'Kentucky Joe' on television's Survivor series.

The Ohio Valley chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences (NATAS) received 548 entries from more than 40 organizations in the region. Of those entries, only 172 were nominated for awards. A complete list of Emmy recipients is at www.emmyonline.org/ohiovalley.

The ceremony, hosted by the Ohio Valley Chapter of the NATAS, was held at Aronoff Center in Cincinnati, Ohio, on June 23, 2001.

Ashes to Glory also was honored with the prestigious Angel Award from Hollywood's Excellence in Media organization, and the first place Platinum Award for documentaries at Worldfest Houston. Accepting the Platinum Award was Marshall alumnus Robert Brammer (BS '65), a Houston resident.

Two film studios are taking a look at the film as well. Jack Lengyel, Marshall's first post-crash football coach, is urging the studios, Disney and Universal, to consider the story.
**FIFTY YEAR REUNION**—Returning to Marshall for their 50-year reunion were these members of the Class of 1951: From left, (front row) Carolyn Gleaton, Mary Lou Frum, Patricia Green, Jean Modlin, Anne Cummings, Lilly Lanham, Constance Davis; (middle row) Joyce Ey, Yvonne Johnson; (back row) Paul Baker, Arthur Swavely, Thomas Read, John Foose, David Daugherty, Donald Brown, Jack Waldeck, William Trowbridge, Faye Stephens, Phillip Modlin, Gary Eckard, Charles Adams.

**THE GRAND CLASS**—More than two dozen members of the Grand Class of Marshall University, those who graduated more than 50 years ago, returned this past April for the Alumni Weekend festivities. Most are pictured here, but those attending included: Dorothy Atwood '45, Gale Berry '50, Sam Clagg '43, Elizabeth Czompo '37, Mary Desole '48, Sam Desole '47, Virginia Dial '50, Evelyn Elliott '45, Jack Felleure '48, Robert Frum '50, Margaret Ann Hart '42, Rinard Hart '42, Mary Jo Hedrick '44, Mary Hesson '34, Glenna Jones '46, John Jones '48, Alice Kirtley '45, Helen Lawson '45, Betty McClure '42, Elinar Miller '47, Bob Shank '43, Daniel Simmons '44, Julian Sockman '49, Betty Spencer '42, Maxine Wilson '34.

**A DISTINGUISHED GROUP**—At Alumni Weekend 2001, the MUAA honored once more those who were named award winners for Distinguished Service to the University in the 20th Century. Eleven previous award winners gathered at their Friday night recognition reception. They are, from left, Sam Clagg (BA '43, MA '47), Joe Hunnicutt (BBA '57), James Heckman, Ernie Stevens, Betty Sue Kinzer (BA '67), John Kinzer (BBA '62), Carole Vickers (BA '55, MA '60), Robert Hayes, Lou Sahadi (BA '53), Ralph May (BA '63) and David Haden '60.

**SIXTY YEAR REUNION**—These 10 graduated from Marshall College in 1941 and thoroughly enjoyed their reunion during Alumni Weekend. They are, from left (front row) Gene Paul, Virginia Fogg, Sarah Middleton and Marvin Dill; (back row) William Little, Harold Spears, John Sinnett, John Davidson, Peggy Wild, Howell Kirtley.
DEANS BRUNCH EMCEE—Retired Dean Dr. Carole Vickers (BA '55, MA '60) has a great time emceeing the Deans Brunch. She is joined here by Sam Stanley (BA '65), assistant vice president for alumni relations.

HERDNOBBERS—Marshall University President Dan Angel does some Herdnobbing with Bob Shank (BA '43) and his wife Lorena at the Friday night reception.

THE TOAST—Lou Sahadi (BA '53) provides the Marshall toast at the champagne reception, while joining him with their glasses high are a group of attending alumni.

BIG SURPRISE—Nancy Pelphrey (right) was surprised at the Alumni Awards Banquet when Janis Winkfield announced that an endowed scholarship from funds raised by Herd Village would be named the "Nancy Pelphrey Herd Village Scholarship." Pelphrey (RBA '79), coordinator of alumni programs, administers the Herd Village for the MUAA. Winkfield (RBA '91) chairs the MUAA Herd Village committee.

ALUMNI AWARD WINNERS—The Marshall University Alumni Association Awards Banquet that culminated the Alumni Weekend 2001 celebration had this group coming forward to be honored. They are (from left): front row—James "Buck" Harless (distinguished service), Linda Turner (community achievement), Lindsey Jayjack (Cam Henderson Scholarship), Deborah Novak (distinguished service), Dr. Willard Daniels (community achievement); back row—Nate Ruffin (distinguished alumnum), James Summers and Joe Gillette (Atlanta club-of-the-year), Mike Kincaid (NE Ohio club-of-the-year), Joe Johns (distinguished alumnum), Jack Klim (Robert C. Byrd Institute distinguished alumnum in manufacturing).
When Marshall University alumni come to campus for Homecoming 2001, they will be wearing the school colors. That in itself will make this weekend “The Greenest Show on Earth.”

In fact, the Thundering Herd’s Saturday afternoon football game will highlight a full week of activities that begin on Monday, Oct. 15, with the celebration continuing Saturday night, Oct. 20, hours after the crowd exits the stadium.

The football clash sends the Thundering Herd against Mid-American Conference foe Central Michigan with a 4 p.m. kick-off.

Major activities sponsored by the Marshall University Alumni Association will have a circus atmosphere to embellish “The Greenest Show on Earth” theme. The first MUAA event is a tailgate on Thursday, Oct. 18 around the Mound in Downtown South Charleston. This 6:30 p.m. party will enable MU fans in Kanawha County to get an early injection of Herd homecoming spirit.

On Friday morning, Oct. 19, Breakfast with the Coaches returns to Erickson Alumni Center (with a live radio remote from 93.7 FM, the DAWG). On Friday evening, the annual alumni reception this year has a circus theme. It’s labeled “Clowning Around with Friends” and it will be at the Big Green Room at the Marshall University Stadium. The new Marshall Hall of Fame Café is sponsoring this event.

Game day Saturday is full of events. The annual 5K Alumni Run (sponsored by HPER & DAWG) will begin at 9 a.m. when a throng of participants run from campus to the downtown area. The revived Homecoming Parade, featuring West Virginia Gov. Bob Wise as the grand marshal, goes the opposite direction, beginning at noon downtown and winding up at the stadium.

Before the game, a Tailgate Under the Big Top is offered to alumni at the popular Herd Village from 2 to 3:30 p.m., and after the game, two activities are on tap. An R&R (relax and rehash) buffet dinner at 7 p.m. is scheduled for the Erickson Alumni Center in a quiet atmosphere for those who don’t want to fight the post-game traffic. The R&R dinner has limited seating for the first 40 people who make reservations.

For those who really want to kick up their Herd hooves after the game with a dance and shout experience, the River Cities Alumni Club is once again hosting a post-game party at Eagle Memorial Student Center.

8 p.m. to 11 p.m. — MUAA “Clowning Around with Friends” alumni reception at Big Green Room at the Marshall University Stadium sponsored by Marshall Hall of Fame Café.

Saturday, Oct. 20

9 a.m. — 5K Alumni Run (sponsored by HPER & DAWG) downtown Huntington and MU campus area.

Noon — Homecoming Parade beginning downtown Huntington and ending at Marshall University Stadium.

2 p.m. — MUAA Tailgate Under the Big Top at Herd Village.

4 p.m. — MU vs. Central Michigan football game.

7 p.m. — Relax and Rehash buffet dinner at Erickson Alumni Center.

7 p.m. — River Cities Club post-game party/dinner/dance at Eagle Distributing Co. Warehouse at 140 West 3rd Ave.
Distributing warehouse at 140 West 3rd Ave. where a ticket will provide Outback Steakhouse food, beverages and live dancing music from the Oakwood Road Beer Band.

**HALL OF FAME BANQUET**

The annual Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Friday night, Oct. 19, at the Don Morris Room in the Memorial Student Center.

At press time for the Marshall Magazine the inductees had not been selected. Banquet tickets are $25 per person. To make reservations call the Big Green office at (304) 696-6441 or (800) THE HERD.

**BLACK ALUMNI**

Marshall University Black Alumni, Inc. has a busy schedule for Homecoming 2001. It begins with registration and hospitality at 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 19, at the Radisson Hotel.

Also on Friday evening, the Black Alumni are sponsoring a bus trip to the Tri-State Track Races from 6 to 10 p.m. and a dance at the Radisson from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

On Saturday, the Black Alumni day begins with a complimentary breakfast and alumni meeting at the Radisson at 9:30 a.m. A tailgate is planned at 1 p.m., followed by the 4 p.m. Herd-Central Michigan football game.

The evening concludes at the Radisson with an 8 p.m. reception and a dance from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

For more information, call Janis Winkfield at (304) 416-0938.

**JOURNALISM ALUMNI**

For more than 30 years, Drs. Ralph Turner and George Arnold have been providing knowledge 50 minutes at a time. Now it's time to return the favor and pay homage to these stalwarts.

Former students are honoring the duo for their many years of tireless service to the bewildered thousands who have passed through Smith Hall. On Homecoming Saturday (Oct. 20), a breakfast is scheduled at 11:30 a.m. at the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center on 5th Avenue. Cost is $20 for alumni/$10 for students. Please send a check to reserve seats, payable to SOJ&MC Alumni Association, Smith Hall, Marshall University, Huntington, WV 25755.

If you have an interesting story about George or Ralph, please e-mail Tom Miller (miller38@aol.com) or Bob Smith (bobbins98@aol.com).

For information, call Liz McMullen (304) 696-2360.

**RESERVATIONS**

The Greenest Show on Earth!

**HOMECOMING WEEKEND**

**October 18-20, 2001**

**Party Around the Mound Downtown South Charleston**
- Food, beverages, entertainment • 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

**Coach's Continental Breakfast**
- Erickson Alumni Center • 1731 Fifth Ave. • 8 a.m. - 11 a.m.

**Clowning Around with Friends Reception**
- Big Green Room, Marshall University Stadium • 8 p.m. - 11 p.m.

**Tailgate-Under-the-Big-Top**
- Davis Chrysler Plymouth Jeep Herd Village • 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

**Relax & Rehash Party**
- Buffet dinner and cash bar • Erickson Alumni Center • 7 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

**River Cities Alumni Club Party/Dance**
- Eagle Distributing Co. • 140 Third Ave. • Price includes beverages, buffet dinner and a live band 7:30 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.

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This feature also includes milestones, recognitions and career changes from MUGC graduates, even those who attended before the merger.

ARRIVALS
To Michele R. Carter and John B. Carter II (BA'94, MS'96), a boy, John B. Carter III (Trey), on Jan. 12, 2000.
To Jill Kark Coughlan and Charles “Chip” Coughlan (BBA'84), a girl, Caley Ryan, on June 13, 2000.
To Nikki Smith and David Michael Smith (BBA'94), a girl, Ariel, on July 21, 2000.
To Becki Carpenter and Gary Allen Carpenter (BA'86), a boy, Isaiah Dillon, on Nov. 10, 2000.
To Melanie Kay Fields Hamlin (AA'S'90) and Jeff Scott Hamlin, a boy, Carter Scott, on Nov. 18, 2000.
To Aynessa Dianne Racer Mondlik (Bsn’94, MSN’99) and Stephen Andrew Mondlik (RBA'94), a boy, Matthew Thomas, on Dec. 16, 2000.
To Linda Bedway and Nicholas Thomas Bedway III (BS'89, MA'91), a boy, Nicholas Thomas IV, on April 11, 2001. Mr. Bedway is an instructor in the Department of Mathematics.
To Valerie Dawn Cole Pindexter (AAS'87, BA'88, MS'90) and John “Les” Pindexter, a boy, John David, on April 6, 2001.
To Rebecca Jordan and Charles Michael Jordan (BA'97), a girl, Jenna Brooks, on April 24, 2001.
To Cynthia Legg (BFA'94) and Erik Legg (BBA'95), a boy, Andrew Wayne, on May 26, 2001.

MARRIAGES
Cynthia Ann Hammack and Matthew David McClure (BA'00) on July 22, 2000.
Andrea Rae Lanier and Jodie T. Roush (BA'99) on July 1, 2001.

DEATHS
Willard A. Addleman (BA'39) of Hurricane on March 6, 2001, at age 86.
Dr. Charles Stafford Clay of Huntington on June 10, 2001. He provided surgical support at the Veterans Administration Hospital and played an active role in training the residents of the School of Medicine.
Dr. M. Homer Cummings (BS'41) of Huntington on July 5, 2001, at age 81. He was a lecturing physician at the School of Medicine.
Dr. Kenneth Marion Dolan (MA'56) of Madison on June 2, 2001, at age 69.
V. Elizabeth “Betty” Esposito of Huntington on June 24, 2001, at age 86. The V. Elizabeth Esposito Scholarship Fund has been established at the School of Medicine.
Clinton A. Karr (BA'38) of Baltimore, Md., on June 5, 2001, at age 84.
Bonnie Jean Kincaid of Plano, Texas, on June 18, 2001, at age 71. She was a retired banquet supervisor for the MU Food Service.
Esther Kopelman (Stn.'35) of Harrisburg, Pa.
Joseph Wilmoth Lawson (BA'36) of Bristol, Va., on April 17, 2001, at age 88.
Dr. John Franklin Morris (BA'34) of Lynchburg, Va., on June 1, 2001, at age 91.
Malinda VanNest Phillips (BA'91) of Magnolia on May 25, 2001, at age 33.

David C. Shipston (MA'69) of Eleanor on March 21, 2001, at age 58.
Mary Alice “Bobbi” Stevens (MA'67) of Huntington on April 22, 2001, at age 57.
L. Boyce Yarbrough (BA'31, MA'52) of Huntington on April 25, 2001, at age 90.

CLASS NOTES
1950s
MaryEllen Waldron (BS'55) has been promoted to senior vice president of National City Corporation. She is a regional manager for Retirement Plan Services, a group within National City's Institutional Trust division. She is responsible for administration and client service for the Southern Ohio and Kentucky regions.

1960s
Burl W. Osborne (BA'60) was elected vice chairman and chairman-elect of The Associated Press. A former MUAAlumni, Osborne is the retired publisher of The Dallas Morning News and president of the publishing division of Belo Corp.

John Edward Shea (BBA'65) of Canon & Shea Associates Inc. in New York, N.Y., was listed in Who's Who in Business and Industry 2001, the national and regional editions.

Fred Reeder (BA'66, MA'70) of London, Ohio, is superintendent of schools for the South Point Board of Education. He has been self-employed as an education consultant for the past 10 years.

Dr. H. Lawrence Jones (BA'68), who retired as the Ohio County Schools superintendent, has accepted an appointment as associate professor of education and director of the Teacher Preparation Program and Master of Arts in Science and Mathematics Education Program at Wheeling Jesuit University. He also has retired as a lieutenant colonel in the Army Reserve Military Police Corps.

1970s
John Whitt Bentine (BBA'70) has been named to the Best Lawyers in America, a catalog of the nation's finest legal talent. He is an attorney with the Columbus, Ohio-based law firm of Chestier Willcox & Saxbe LLP.

Alan R. Simmons (BA'71) has earned the designation of asset allocation master. He is a financial advisor for America Express Financial Advisors in Huntington.

Theresa Polley-Shelcroft (MA'71) participated in a study opportunity supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities. The program, "Black Film Studies Institute," was held at the University of Central Florida. Polley-Shelcroft, a painter and quilter, teaches art history and African-American history at Victor Valley Community College and cultural arts for Hesperia Unified School District in California.

Nancy Jean Puckett Bell (BA'71, MA'74 - MUGC) is assistant principal at St. Paul Education Center in New Bern, N.C., for the 2001-2002 school year.

Rhonda Wallace (diploma '73) returns for her third season as an actress in Smoke on the Mountain at the Ryman Auditorium in Nashville, Tenn. She also has appeared on the Grand Ol' Opry and Opry Backstage.

Antony John Nenni Sr. (BBA'75) has been promoted to used equipment manager for Carter Machinery Company in Richmond, Va., the state's Caterpillar dealer.

Timothy R. Burcham, CFRE (BA'75) is vice president for advancement for the Kentucky Community and Technical College System and executive director for the KCTCS Foundation Inc. He also serves on the international board of directors of the Association of Fundraising Professionals.
ARIZONA
- Phoenix, Arizona, Club, Keith Ray Jones, '81, (602) 460-2107

CALIFORNIA
- Burbank, Calif., Club, Patti White, '71, (818) 846-9489
- "Northern California Club (potential club), Joe H. Pearson, '76, (925) 754-4854

FLORIDA
- Central Florida Club (Orlando area), Theresa Beter, '86, (407) 208-9662
- Jacksonville, Fla., Club, William S. "Bill" Steele, '68, (904) 260-8249
- Palm Beach, Fla., Club, William "Pete" Abrams, '50, (561) 747-4968
- South Florida Club, Jack Trainor, '77, (464) 564-7623
- Southwest Florida Club, Glenn O. Kouns, '78, (941) 768-3803
- Tallahassee, Fla., Club, John W. Cook, (850) 309-1594
- Tampa/St. Petersburg, Fla., Club, Chris young (727) 442-1172

GEORGIA
- Atlanta, Ga., Club, Joe Gillette, '73, (770) 992-0780
- Savannah, Ga., Club, Susan Curry Brun, '87, (912) 927-7335

INDIANA
- "Central Indiana Club (potential club), Mark R. Corrie, '90, (812) 372-1314

KENTUCKY (see also Ohio)
- Bluegrass Club (Lexington, Ky.), Phil Harmon, '68, (606) 357-7413
- Kentucky Club (Louisville, Ky.), Trent Turner, '99, (502) 721-9219

MASSACHUSETTS
- "Boston, Mass., Area Club (potential club), Matt Cooke, '96, (508) 490-5104

MISSISSIPPI
- "Southern Mississippi Club, Ralph C. Caudill, (228) 896-4814

NORTH CAROLINA
- Charlotte, N.C., Club, Todd Rucker, '93, (704) 708-5817
- Raleigh/Durham, N.C., Club, Amy Yost, '94, (919) 844-5187
- TRIAD North Carolina Club,

(Winston-Salem, High Point, Greensboro), Roderick H. "Rod" Hall, '60, (336) 996-5103
- Wilmington, N.C., Area Club, Linda Hart, '73, (910) 313-1870

OHIO
- Central Ohio Club, Rodney A. Hamrick, '88, (614) 895-7172
- "Cincinnati-Northern Kentucky Club, James "Wes" Meek, '81, (606) 341-2163
- "Northeast Ohio Club, Mike Kincaid, '68, (440) 846-8141

SOUTH CAROLINA
- "Myrtle Beach, S.C., Club, Randall K. "Randy" Mullins, '82, (843) 902-4439

TENNESSEE
- "Middle Tennessee Club, Dr. Andrew Dixon, '82, (615) 646-6130

TEXAS
- Austin, Texas, Club, Barbara Cassidy, '79, (512) 328-1808
- "Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas, Club, Lorrie Collingwood, '88, (972) 718-3952
- "Houston, Texas, Club, Jack Babcock, '67, (281) 580-4711

VIRGINIA
- "Richmond, Va., Club, C. Lynn Childers, '73, (804) 673-2807
- Roanoke, Va., Club (potential club), Julie Kessler (540) 855-3505

WASHINGTON, D.C.
- "Washington, D.C./Baltimore, Md., Ed Worthing, '72, (301) 873-4565
- Northern Virginia; Walter Lett (301) 948-0700 Baltimore

WEST VIRGINIA
- "Boone County Club (potential club), Rodney Miller, '87, (304) 369-6022
- Greater Kanawha Valley Club, Sidney J. R," Oliver, '93, (304) 965-0801
- Greenbrier Valley Club, Donald E. Parker, Jr., '77, (304) 645-2216
- Logan County Club, Kellie Wooten Willis (304) 752-5587
- Mercer County Club, Charles W. Pace, '68, (304) 487-3228
- Raleigh County Club, Jane Beard, '79, (304) 256-4620
- River Cities Club, Brandy Roisman, '76, (740) 894-5603

Alumni Club Listing

Dr. Barbara Stevens (BA'75, BSN'78, MS'82) started at St. Mary's Hospital in Huntington in 1959 as a clinical instructor for the School of Nursing. By the time she retired in July 2001 as director of the nursing program, she had been an integral part of the growth of the hospital's Cooperative Associate Degree Nursing Program.

When Stevens graduated from the St. Mary's nursing program in 1959, diplomas were given at the completion of the course. Stevens wanted a little more, so she earned a degree in sociology at Marshall, a program she felt helped her in dealing with patients and other individuals during her career. As she continued with the nursing program, serving as staff nurse, charge nurse and clinical curriculum coordinator, she completed her bachelor of science in nursing and her master of science in adult education at Marshall. She would go on to complete a master of science in nursing and doctor of education degree from West Virginia University. She became director of nursing in 1988.

Stevens credits Marshall University for making the nursing program's transition to an associate degree program a fairly easy task. "For St. Mary's School of Nursing to be able to work in cooperation with Marshall, to be able to join resources, has been remarkable."

Stevens has a son, Greg, and a daughter, Mary Beth Kuhn. She is a big supporter of Marshall sports, with season tickets every year. In addition to following the Herd, she plans to do volunteer work for the sisters in the hospital infirmary, a way for her to get back to the basics of bedside nursing. She also plans to take her grandchildren to Disney World.

Marshall graduate Mike Kaufman (BS'75) always has been inspired by the Bible, but he knew it could be difficult to read and understand. So, he spent three years researching and writing a book that not only helps others comprehend the Bible, but can whet the appetite of those who are just starting to read it.

In Bible 101: An Introduction to God's Word, Kaufman has assembled all passages related to particular topics into chapters so they would be easier to find. He stresses that he is not an authority on the Bible, making sure his book was not an interpretation or an opinion, but a guide.

Bible 101 differs from other books that are mostly commentary in that it is about 90 percent actual verses from the Bible, with his own words tying together the verses.

Kaufman is owner of T-Graphics, a Charleston business specializing in personalized promotional products. He is an Air Force veteran, having served in Vietnam in 1968-69. While at Marshall he was a noted baseball player during the 1973-75 seasons. He led the team in hitting with a .338 average the year the Herd received its first NCAA Tournament bid ever. In 1974 he batted .400, and broke several team records.

Kaufman is divorced and has two daughters, Kelly Kaufman of Charleston and Holly Edens of Richmond, Va.

Bible 101: An Introduction to God's Word was published by Vantage Press, New York. Kaufman is putting together another religious book for the future, and has published a number of magazine articles related to his interest in classic cars.
Sharon Spencer (BA'88) received her doctorate in education in international studies from the University of Houston in November 2000. She also was awarded the Outstanding Teacher of the Year by Houston City Schools for 2000-2001.

1990s

Shahn Elizabeth Douglas (BA'90) is an interactive account manager for MRA, a marketing communications agency based in Atlanta, Ga. She will manage multiple interactive marketing campaigns, including the development of web sites and CD-ROMS for clients.

Michael Ziemnick (BA'92) is admissions director of the South Carolina Aquarium on Charleston Harbor.


Marc A. Carpenter (BA'94), band director for the Greenup County School System, was appointed music director of the First Baptist Church of Raceland, Ky., in April 2001.

Chad Thomas Hovis (BA'95) recently received his certified public accountant certificate. He also was promoted to supervisor with Arnett & Foster, PLLC, Charleston.

Angela Henderson (BA'96, MA'98) is a marketing assistant for Prestera Center for Mental Health Services Inc. in Huntington.

Leslie Ann Gault Workman (BA'96) of Pikeville, Ky., was elected president of the Northeast Area Extension Association of Family and Consumer Services.

Paul Arthur Thorn (BA'96) graduated with distinction from Ohio Northern University's Pettit College of Law with the degree of juris doctor.

Candice Lynn Null ( MBA'98) recently graduated from Ohio Northern University's Pettit College of Law with the degree of juris doctor.

Also

Dr. Allan Stern, MU professor/program coordinator of safety technology, attended a training workshop for ABET-ASSE (Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology-American Society of Safety Engineers) Evaluator Training on June 12th. The workshop was held in Anaheim, Calif. Dr. Stern also attended the Fifth Annual Occupational Safety and Health Educators Conference held in conjunction with the American Society of Safety Engineers annual conference in June 2001.

Three Marshall graduates have accepted positions with the University of Charleston. Cleta Mae Harless (BA'90) is vice president of administration and finance; Gretchen K. Beane (BA'94) is catering and special events director; and Alan Belcher (MA'75) is director of learning assessment and technology.

Italy... Ireland... France... Australia

These are the four destinations for 2002 in the new travel package being offered to Marshall University alumni.

Sponsored by the Marshall University Alumni Association, these four trips will provide our alumni fun-filled, yet educational experiences with other MU graduates and friends at a reasonable cost.

First comes the excursion to Rome, Feb. 6-13, for only $1,695 per person. Then there's a visit to Kinsale, Ireland, May 12-20 for $2,295, followed by a trip to Provence, France, July 2-10, for $2,395. The 2002 travel program concludes with a Nov. 6-20 journey to Australia for $3,199. The per person costs listed include transportation, meals and lodging at first class hotels and are based on double occupancy.

For the Italy, Ireland and France trips, the MUAA will be using Alumni Holidays as the tour server. Prism Holidays will be handling the Australia trip.

For brochures and more information concerning the MUAA travel program for 2002, please contact the Marshall University Alumni Relations office at (800) MUALUMX.
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Lipton’s military career subject of Spielberg/Hanks film

The heroic military career of a Marshall alumnus is depicted in an HBO film this fall. C. Carwood “Buck” Lipton, a 1948 graduate of Marshall’s engineering program, was one of the first four members of the legendary E (Easy) Company, 506th Regiment, to parachute into France in order that the Allies could secure the Normandy beachhead early D-Day morning. He also was instrumental in the capture of Hitler’s Eagle’s Nest at Berchtesgaden, Bavaria.

The 10-hour film, Band of Brothers, was produced by Steven Spielberg and Tom Hanks. Costing an estimated $200 million to make, it is the most expensive and ambitious movie ever made for television. Donny Wahlberg plays Lipton’s character. David Schwimmer and Colin Hanks also star, along with 500 speaking actors and 10,000 extras. The film premiered in Normandy, France, on the anniversary of D-Day, and premiers on HBO on September 9. Wahlberg had the opportunity to meet Lipton during the shooting of the movie. Although Lipton did not come to the set, Wahlberg never shot a scene without consulting with him. Lipton, his three sons and his wife Marie were present at the French premier as guests of HBO.

Lipton came to Marshall College after returning from duty in World War II. After graduating with a degree in engineering, he went to work with Owens-Illinois Inc., rising steadily in the company. He moved to London in 1971 as director of manufacturing for eight glass factories in England and Scotland. In 1974 he went to Geneva, Switzerland, in charge of company operations in Europe, the Middle East and Africa. He retired in 1983 as director of development after 35 years with Owens-Illinois.

The book Band of Brothers, E Company, 506th Regiment 101st Airborne from Normandy to Hitler’s Eagle’s Nest by Steve Ambrose was used as background material for the movie. Lipton was interviewed for the book and critiqued the drafts chapter by chapter.

Lipton now lives in retirement in Southern Pines, N.C. His hobbies are world travel, golf, model engineering, woodworking and reading.

More information about the experiences of E Company can be found at: http://www.hbo.com

Virginia Miller named Nitro’s Teacher of the Century

Virginia Martin Miller has been chosen “Teacher of the Century” by the Nitro High School Alumni Association. Miller, who turned 100 years old on September 1, estimates that she taught as many as 3,900 girls during her 39 years as a home economics teacher.

Miller was born in Dexter, Ohio, and graduated from Marshall College in 1925. Both of her grandmothers had been teachers, so the profession was “in the family.” When she began teaching high school in Nitro, she taught sewing and cooking at a beginning salary of $175 a month, with classes of 10 to 12 girls.

In 1926 she married Harry Miller Sr., cashier at a local bank, and they moved into the home where she still lives. They had one son, Harry Miller Jr., who died last March. Harry Miller Sr. died in 1970. She has two grandsons and three great-grandchildren.

Miller, whose health is still pretty good over all, reads two books a week and stitches bookmarks for friends. Her home is decorated with artwork created by her great-grandchildren.

The award ceremony for Miller was held as a part of Nitro’s first annual Homecoming event.

From an article by Charlotte Ferrell Smith, Charleston Daily Mail.
Lonnie Thompson
Chosen One of America’s Best

A Marshall University graduate has been named to *Time* magazine’s list of America’s Best in science and medicine in its series on Americans at the top of their fields (Aug. 20, 2001.)

Dr. Lonnie G. Thompson (BA’70) is one of 18 researchers chosen who show a “passion for understanding the world and the ability to concentrate obsessively on a problem until they have solved it.” Thompson, a glaciologist at The Ohio State University’s Byrd Polar Research Center, focuses on searching glacial ice for clues of global warming, using the emerging science of paleoclimatology, the study of the earth’s climate. His goal is to record this information before the ice melts and the data are lost forever.

Thompson’s research has targeted the long-neglected ice fields of the tropics. He traveled to the Quelccaya ice cap in southern Peru, where he reconstructed a 1,500-year sequence of swings from wet to dry that track the rise and fall of ancient civilizations. From glaciers on the opposite side of the world, some in the Andes and some in the Himalayas, he has built a strong case that the tropics were far colder 20,000 years ago, at the height of the Ice Age, than most scientists thought possible.

His research on Mount Kilimanjaro in East Africa unveiled disturbing evidence that ice across the tropics is disappearing at an unprecedented rate, 80 percent less ice cover than in 1912, proving without doubt that the earth is warming. He predicts that the snows of Kilimanjaro may be gone within the next 15 years. A core sample taken from a glacier in Tibet reveals the last 50 years to be the warmest of the last 9,000.

Thompson, a native of Gassaway, W.Va., majored in geology at Marshall and then went on to Ohio State for his master’s and doctorate in geology. He was honored by Marshall in 1994 at The John Deaver Drinko and Elizabeth G. Drinko Academic Celebration.

Thompson’s wife, Dr. Ellen Mosley-Thompson, graduated from Marshall with a degree in physics in 1970 and received her master's and doctorate from Ohio State. Her interest rests in physical geography, particularly in the polar regions. Together they have helped create an impressive archive the Thompsons call a library of the earth’s climate history.

Sources include *Time*, CNN.

Herd Village

There’s still room for your business or group to tailgate at the Davis Chrysler Plymouth Jeep Herd Village during the 2001 football season.

The Marshall University Alumni Association and the MU alumni relations staff, which administrates the tailgating tent city at Lefty Rollins Field before each home football game, provides student scholarships from all proceeds.

Corporate sponsor of Herd Village is Davis Chrysler Plymouth Jeep and the media sponsor is The DAWG radio, 93.7 FM.

For groups or businesses who want to tailgate at Herd Village, the alumni relations office can arrange for block ticket discounts, catering, tents and anything else needed to have a good time before the Herd’s home football games.

Last season, Herd Village was the tailgating home of nearly 40 groups and businesses who got in the football mood by doing a little pre-game Herdnobbing. The tailgate city was the brainstorm of the MUAA board of directors. The idea was to give businesses a way to entertain clients or staff, or family and friends, while supporting Herd football. The private or public parties can be as elegant or simple as they want them to be.

The alumni relations office can arrange for block ticket discounts, catering, and tents. Or, the business can provide its own caterers and entertainment.

For more information, call Nancy Pelphrey, coordinator of alumni programs, at (800) 682-5869 or (304) 696-3134.

The event will feature a Friday night reception, followed by a full day of activities, culminating in recognition at halftime of the football game.

Any Marshall fans with information on former Herd football players, coaches, managers or trainers from the 1960s, or people who participated in the wrestling program in any decade, are encouraged to contact the "M" Club.

For more information on the event or to pass along information on a former student-athlete, contact George Lambros, "M" Club President, at (304) 696-3978 or write to Marshall "M" Club, P.O. Box 1360, Huntington, WV 25715.
Breakfast Time—Some of the early arrivals for Alumni Weekend enjoy the breakfast fare at the Erickson Alumni Center. Filling their plates here are (from right) are Augusta Little (BA ’40, MA ’41), her husband William Little (BS ’41); Patsy Read and her husband (partially hidden) Thomas Read (BA ’51).

Cam Henderson Award Winner—Lindsey Jayjack, a member of the women’s volleyball team, accepts the Cam Henderson Scholarship award from MUAA president Jeff Porter (BBA ’77) at the Alumni Award Banquet.

Past Distinguished Alumnus  Jim Porter Dies

James O. Porter, the 1971 recipient of the MUAA Distinguished Alumnus Award, died on July 28, 2001, at age 80. He received a bachelor of science in business administration from Marshall in 1943, and his law degree from Washington and Lee University in 1948. In World War II he served in the U.S. Army Air Corps in the Pacific Theater. Porter was a partner in the law firm of Huddleston, Bolen, Beatty, Porter & Copen in Huntington until his retirement in 1990.

He was a member of the Cabell, West Virginia and American bar associations, the West Virginia Law Institute, the American College of Real Estate Lawyers and the Southern Conference of Bar Presidents, among other organizations. He was also a member of the board of directors of the Inland Mutual Insurance Company.

A tremendous supporter of Marshall academics and athletics, Porter was past president and vice president of The Marshall University Foundation Inc.; a board member of the Big Green Scholarship Foundation; and past president and board member of the MUAA.

Porter was the husband of Jane Ferguson Porter (BA’43, MA’45). He is also survived by his son, John E. Porter and his wife, Monica B. Porter; son-in-law James M. Hicks Jr.; and grandchildren Anne L. Porter, James M. "Matt" Hicks III and James J. Porter. He was predeceased by a daughter, Virginia Porter Hicks.
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