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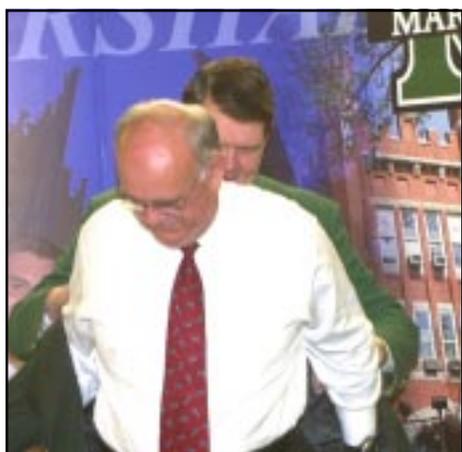
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# ***We Are...Marshall!***

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## ***Marcum Appointed Interim Athletic Director***

Bob "Kayo" Marcum, a Huntington native and Marshall graduate who retired this month as athletic



*Bob Marcum, who has been appointed interim athletic director, is presented with a traditional Marshall green jacket by President Dan Angel.*

director at the University of Massachusetts, has been appointed Marshall's director of athletics on an interim basis. President Dan Angel said he will serve for at least one year.

At the same time, Angel announced an administrative reorganization that includes personnel

changes in the Department of Athletics, Alumni Relations and the Capital Campaign for National

Prominence. Most of the changes will take effect on July 1 of this year.

Angel spoke highly of Marcum, who provided leadership and direction for UMass' 29-sport athletic program that was recognized as one of the nation's 20 best in March 2002. Marcum graduated from Huntington High in 1955 and from Marshall in 1959 with a bachelor's degree in social studies and physical education. He received a master's degree in education administration from the University of Akron in 1970. Among his other achievements, Marcum was the 1999 northeast Region I-AA Athletic Director of the Year.

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## ***Wanda Webb is Employee of the Month***

Wanda L. Webb, administrative associate in the dean's office, School of Medicine, has been named the Marshall University Employee of the Month for April, according to Jim Stephens, chair of the Employee of the Month Selection Committee. Webb, who has been with the School of Medicine since 1980, was nominated by Linda S. Holmes, Director of Development & Alumni Affairs for the SOM.



*Wanda L. Webb*

In her nomination, Holmes wrote, "During my tenure at the School of Medicine, I have witnessed Wanda doing her job in a quiet, conscientious and unassuming manner. Her work ethic and job performance are excellent. She is an individual that never has a 'bad day' because of her moderate personality. She is always pleasant, helpful, and a calming influence in a sometimes hectic work environment. Wanda...is there day in and day out doing everything without a flurry of fanfare—a truly dedicated employee who does her job well. Many employees

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## ***Drug Interactions Subject of Next Meet the Experts Session***

Lynne J. Goebel, M.D., professor of medicine, will give a free public talk June 11 about learning how to avoid complications that can occur when medicines interact with one another or with products such as vitamins, herbs, and even grapefruit juice.

The talk, part of the Meet the Experts Mini-Medical School series, will be at 5:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the MU Medical Center.

"Thirty percent of outpatients suffer from adverse drug reactions," said Dr. Goebel. "Ten percent of senior citizens who are admitted to the hospital come in with some adverse drug reaction. Most people agree that if you are on multiple medications, you are at risk for complications."

In her talk, Goebel will discuss the fact that herbs and vitamins can be considered drugs and interact

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# Performing Arts Camp Makes Return Appearance

It was so successful last year it's back for an encore this year, with some expanded opportunities for those interested in the performing arts.

The MU Theatre Department is conducting a Summer Performing Arts Camp and the new Youth Summer Theatre Intensive in June, according to Belinda Callicoat, program assistant in theatre and dance.

"Last year we had such an incredible turnout and such wonderful response from students, parents, teachers and arts supporters that we are planning the second year of our performing arts camp,"

## Bookwalter Appointed to NCAA Post

Dr. Robert B. Bookwalter, Professor of Communication Studies, has been appointed Marshall's faculty athletics representative to the NCAA for the next four years, President Dan Angel has announced.

Bookwalter, a faculty member for 15 years, replaces Linda Wilkinson, whose term expires June 30.

"Linda Wilkinson put a lot of time and energy into her role," the president said. "She took it very seriously. We appreciate her dedication and assistance very much and thank her for her service."

The NCAA requires its member institutions to have a faculty athletics representative, who is designated by the president to represent the institution and its faculty in the institution's relationships with the NCAA and its conference.

Bookwalter will provide advice and oversight for Marshall's athletic programs while helping to ensure the academic integrity of the programs is maintained and protected.

Callicoat said. Designed for ages 6-18, the camp will run from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. daily June 10 to 24 at a cost of \$165 per person. Participants will be placed in age-appropriate classes and learn from professional faculty.

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## Varian Fry Exhibit Begins June 8

The story of an American Christian who saved the lives of hundreds of anti-Nazis and Jews in occupied France during World War II will be on display in an exhibit at Marshall beginning June 8 in the Birke Art Gallery at Smith Hall.

Dr. Justus Rosenberg, the youngest member of the Varian Fry Rescue Team, and now Professor of Comparative Literature and the Humanities, Bard College and The New School University, will be the featured speaker at a lecture marking the opening of the exhibit. The lecture takes place at 7 p.m. Saturday, June 8 in the Birke Art Gallery, and—like the exhibit—is free to the public. A reception will follow the lecture.

*Varian Fry, ASSIGNMENT: RESCUE, 1940-41*, is organized and circulated by the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum. It is being brought to the Huntington campus by the West Virginia Holocaust Education Commission, and is sponsored by the Federated Jewish Charities of Huntington, Huntington Lodge 795 of B'nai B'rith, and the MU College of Fine Arts.

The story of espionage and heroism chronicles Fry's efforts to help political and intellectual refugees escape Nazi-controlled Vichy France. He rescued more than 1,200 people before his expulsion from France on August 27, 1941.

Exhibit hours from June 10 to 21 are 1 to 4 p.m. weekdays, and also from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. For additional information, call Thomas E. Scarr, Esq., at 523-2100.

## Faculty/Staff Achievements

**Judy Ross**, web developer in the Division of Information Technology at the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, received the 2002 George Parker Spirit of Hospice Award from Hospice of Huntington for her volunteer work on creating the web site [www.hospiceofhuntington.org](http://www.hospiceofhuntington.org).

**Dr. Steve Shuklian**, Division of Finance and Economics, presented a paper, "Mr. Bush Tear down This Wall: Why It's Time to End the Trade Embargo on Cuba," to a joint meeting of the Association for Institutional Thought and the Western Social Sciences Association which was held in Albuquerque,

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## We Are...Marshall!

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The next issue of *We Are...Marshall!* will carry an issue date of June 14, 2002. Deadline is June 7. Send story ideas to Pat Dickson, Editor, *We Are...Marshall!*, 110 Administration Building, South Charleston Campus, or send by e-mail to [pdickson@marshall.edu](mailto:pdickson@marshall.edu).



# Bear Startles South Charleston Campus

They're used to the unassuming ducks that nibble the shrubbery, to the herds of deer which scamper nimbly across the parking lot and don't pause for photo ops and to the grumpy geese that honk crossly at hapless motorists who have the temerity to get in their way. But no one on the South Charleston campus was quite prepared for the shaggy, shambling visitor that crashed down from the woods near dusk a few weeks ago and took a leisurely stroll around the campus.

Along with the occupants of four South Charleston police cruisers which raced to the hilltop loca-



*Officer Karen Beach points to the spot behind the Graduate College Administration Building where a black bear was sighted a few weeks ago.*

tion of the Graduate College, Karen Beach, the on-duty campus security officer, looked on in astonishment as an adult black bear lumbered out of the thick woods which surround most of the campus.

“I’ve always wanted to see a West Virginia bear in the wild,” Beach, an animal lover, said. “But I never dreamed I’d see one up close while I was on duty at work!”

The South Charleston police, alerted by sightings in a nearby residential district, had

tracked the bear from its last sighting near the Islamic Center, which is just over the hill from the Graduate College. They figured it might come down to the college grounds and, sure enough, it did. Ensnared in squad cars and keeping an eye out for unsuspecting pedestrians, the officers watched as the bear wandered nonchalantly to the rear of the Robert C. Byrd Academic and Technology Center, which overlooks Interstate 64 and houses the library and a manufacturing facility.

The bear didn't appear to feel threatened at all, Beach said.

“We were just trying to see where it was going,” she explained. “Our first priority, of course, was to make sure everyone was safe and everyone was. No one was in danger at any time.” Because of its slow gait, some of the officers speculated the bear was

injured, so they kept him or her—no one volunteered to get close enough to determine its gender—under heavy surveillance.

“It wandered around the back of the Byrd Building, then went over the hill toward the Dow (Chemical Company) property,” Beach said. The bear stopped to take a leisurely sniff at a transformer before making its way across the winding road that leads to the campus, and then, apparently uninjured after all, easily scaled the six-foot fence that separates the college from the Dow grounds, disappearing into the thick woods and brush that rings the company's property. There were sighs of relief that the bear hadn't stopped for a snack from the blackberries that grow in abundance along the side of that road.

For the good-natured Beach, who has been on the South Charleston campus for the past five months, a bear sighting was all in a day's—or evening's—work. Unfazed by the excitement, she probably put “bear sighting, tracking, surveillance” under Other Duties As Assigned.

## Wanda Webb

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look at their job as only those things described in their job description and do no more or no less. Fortunately for the School of Medicine, Wanda isn't that type of employee. She is more than willing to help staff, students, and visitors in anyway she can.”

Holmes goes on to say that although Webb does not report to her, “...she has been available to me when I need her assistance to complete a project I am



*Wanda Webb received her Employee of the Month plaque from President Dan Angel.*

working on. It is the School of Medicine's great fortune to have Wanda in her position and help all of us keep the administrative office running smoothly.”

She concludes by praising Webb's many positive qualities and notes, “It has been a true pleasure to work

with such a dedicated, loyal employee.”

Webb was presented a plaque, balloon bouquet and a check for \$100 by President Dan Angel. She will be eligible for the Employee of the Year award.

## **Computer Learning Center Presents Summer Offerings**

Summer training classes offered through the Computer Learning Center, which is part of MU's Community & Technical College Division of Continuing Education and Economic Development, have been announced, according to Martha Pierson, program manager. All classes will be held in the administration building on the South Charleston campus.

The schedule includes:

June 12, Excel Level III, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; June 13, Web Design, HTML, Level II; June 24-28, Project Management, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily.

July 18, Excel Introduction, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; July 22, PowerPoint Introduction, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; July 25, Access Introduction, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; July 29, Choosing & Learning How to Use a PDA (Personal Digital Assistant), 9 a.m. to noon.

August 12-16, Project Management, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily; August 20, Learning to Use Scanners & Digital Cameras, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

For additional information on any of the course offerings, contact Pierson at ext. 2062.

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Angel cited three reasons for the reorganization: Marshall's growing alumni base, now nearly 78,000 after the May 11 commencement; the kickoff of the public phase of the Capital Campaign for National Prominence, set for this fall; and the impending retirement of an administrator in alumni relations.

Lance West, MU's director of athletics since June 1996, has been named Vice President for Alumni Development and Assistant to the President. In his new position, West will serve with Dr. H. Keith Spears and Dr. Carolyn Hunter, Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations, as a director of the Capital Campaign.

"Our alumni base is sizable and growing," Angel said. "We think Lance will be ideal for this position. He is a known commodity around the country. We want to utilize his skills and knowledge in developing the alumni base and in making sure our capital campaign reaches its goal."

Other personnel changes include:

Dr. H. Keith Spears, Vice President for Communications and Assistant to the President since 1997, is being promoted to Vice President for Institutional Advancement.

Sam Stanley, the Assistant Vice President for Alumni Relations since October 1998, has announced his retirement, effective this summer.

## **Faculty/Staff Achievements from Page 2**

New Mexico, last month. He also served as a panelist on a roundtable discussion on "The Development of Heterodox Economics: 1968 to 2000."

**Dr. William P. Marley**, professor and director of the Human Performance Laboratory, Division of Exercise Science, recently completed a course at Harvard Medical School. The course, "Skills Training for Mind/Body Change," was conducted under the direction of Herbert Benson, M.D., president of the Mind/Body Medical Center. Marley participated fully in all phases of the course but concentrated on the clinical management of diabetes and cardiac patients as well as chronic pain management.

**Brian Morgan** and seven students in the College of Science have been inducted as members of Upsilon Pi Epsilon (UPE), an international honor society that recognizes scholarship and professionalism in the computing sciences. First established at Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas, in 1967, UPE is the first and only existing international honor society in the computing sciences.

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with prescription medications. She will give participants a list of herbs and what they interact with, as well as tell how grapefruit affects medications.

Goebel joined the MU faculty in 1993. In addition to being board-certified in internal medicine, she has the American Board of Internal Medicine's certificate of added qualifications in geriatrics.

Future Mini-Medical School presentations include: July 9, Asthma, Imran Khawaja, M.D.; August 13, Travel Medicine, Thomas Rushton, M.D.; September 10, Depression, Steven Cody, Ph.D.

The series is funded by an educational grant from Pifizer.

## **Theatre Camp from Page 2**

New this year is the Youth Summer Theatre Intensive, for ages 12-18, which will run from 1 to 4:30 p.m. daily June 10 to 30 at a cost of \$210 per person. Participants will learn auditioning techniques, voice and diction, movement for the actor, improvisation techniques, rehearsal techniques and resume preparation.

Deadline to sign up for the summer camps, both of which will take place in the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center, is June 5. For more information, contact Callicoat at ext. 7184, by e-mail at [callicoat@marshall.edu](mailto:callicoat@marshall.edu) or by fax at 696-6582.