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We Are...Marshall!

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Fund Drive Continues for Bookstore's David Smith

For the volunteer fire fighters of the Green Valley Volunteer Fire Department, it was a seemingly routine call to a structure fire on a sunny Saturday afternoon in late September. But for one of the volunteers, David Smith, the call was soon to go horribly wrong.

Shortly after leaving the 16th Street station the fire truck was involved in a single vehicle accident at the

intersection of West Virginia 10 and Norwood Road, when the truck overturned pinning Smith, who was a passenger, underneath. Seriously injured, he had to be cut from the wreckage and then removed through the windows of the cab. According to newspaper accounts, two other firemen sustained minor injuries and were treated and released from the hospital.

The MU community was shocked to learn that it was a long-time, popular member of the college bookstore staff who had been injured. Now nearly a month after the accident, Smith remains hospitalized with a fractured vertebrae and a spinal cord injury. As his medical bills are mounting, the University Functions Committee has established a special account to help defray some of the costs.

David Smith has long been a part of the MU community in some capacity for the past 25-30 years, according to Mike Campbell, bookstore manager. Beginning as a student in the 1970's, he went on to eventually earn four degrees from the university, including an A.A. S. in Fire Science Technology; a Regents B.A.; and two masters degrees, one in Adult Education and a second one in Safety.

"There's a standing joke in the store that he has more degrees than a thermometer," Campbell relates. "We've nicknamed him Dr. Smith."

Smith also worked part-time on the campus before joining the bookstore staff more than 25 years ago, Campbell says, where he is currently the textbook coordinator.

"He is a fantastic person, so helpful and courteous and so dependable and an excellent employee. But even more important, he's a fine, outstanding gentleman," said Campbell, who visits him at least once a day.

Visitors report coming away impressed by his positive attitude. "He's a very tough gentleman and he keeps his thumbs up in the air. He still has that great sense of humor and he's absolutely tough as nails," Campbell notes.

This despite some medical set-backs. In mid-October complications sent him back to the intensive care unit, but reports are that he hopes to be out of it soon.

Dr. Mack Gillenwater, professor of geography, visits Smith regularly and is heading up the drive to collect money for medical expenses through the University Functions Committee. Smith was a student in several of Gillenwater's classes and they later became good friends, he says.



Bookstore manager Mike Campbell watches as an unidentified bookstore patron signs a get-well card for David Smith, a bookstore employee and volunteer fire fighter injured in an accident last month.

Museum Offers Reduced-Cost Memberships to MU Staff, Faculty

The Huntington Museum of Art (HMA) is offering a 10 percent discount on Museum memberships to employees of Marshall University if purchased before December 31, according to Donnell Horn, Membership Campaign Chair. Membership levels range from \$25 to \$50.

HMA offers after-school programs and free Saturday art activities for children along with culinary and gardening classes and workshops, films, art classes and theater performances. There is also a Tuesday night book discussion group.

The week of November 20 has been designated Marshall University week at the Museum.

For additional information, contact Horn at 529-2701. Membership brochures can be obtained from Horn or from Pat Dickson at ext. 1971.

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Federal Government Begins Search for Presidential Management Interns

Nominations for the 2000 Presidential Management Intern Program (PMI) are now being accepted and materials can be picked up in Huntington in the office of Dr. Leonard Deutsch, Dean of the Graduate School, and from Ken O'Neal in the Graduate Admissions Office on the South Charleston campus.

The PMI Program was established for in 1977 and is designed to attract to Federal service outstanding individuals from a variety of academic disciplines who are interested in a career in the analysis and management of public policies and their programs. Assignments as a PMI may involve domestic or international issues, technological changes, criminal justice, health research, financial management, and many other fields in support of public service programs. All cabinet departments and more than 50 agencies have hired Presidential Management Interns.

Graduate students from a variety of academic disciplines who are completing or expect to complete a master's or doctoral-level degree from an accredited college or university during the current academic year are eligible to be nominated.

To be eligible for placement with a Federal agency through the Presidential Management Intern Program during 2001, applicants must complete and satisfy all graduate degree (master's or doctoral-level degree) requirements between September 1, 2000, to August 31, 2001.

Students should be nominated by the appropriate dean, director or chairperson of their graduate academic

Flu Shots Offered at South Charleston

The College of Nursing and Health Professions is offering flu shots for South Charleston faculty and staff for \$5.00 on Thursday, October 26 from noon until 2 p.m.

Students can receive free flu shots.

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The next regular issue of *We Are...Marshall!* will carry an issue date of November 3, 2000. Deadline is October 27. Articles or other materials for consideration should be sent to Pat Dickson, editor, at the South Charleston campus or by e-mail to pdickson@marshall.edu.



program and they will then participate in a competitive nomination process devised by their educational institutions.

After being nominated, applicants will be invited to participate in a structured assessment center process with the selection of PMI finalists to be based on the students' participation and performance in the one-day assessment center process.

Those selected will receive an initial two-year appointment at the GS-9 level. After successfully completing the two-year program, PMI's may be eligible for conversion to a permanent Government position and further promotional opportunities.

Federal agencies arrange for seminars, briefings and conferences, as well as on-the-job training and other developmental opportunities for PMIs. Rotational assignments so that interns can work with other areas of their agencies or with other agencies are also provided. PMI applications can also be obtained by calling the USA JOBS telephone system at (912) 757-3000 or visiting www.pmi.opm.gov.

Johnson Heads Teacher Lecturer Program this Fall



Dr. Dolores Johnson

Dr. Dolores Johnson, Associate Professor of English, has been named the fall lecturer for the Teacher Lecturer Program, sponsored by the MU College of Education and Human Services.

She will speak on "Communication, Culture and the Classroom". Her presentation dates are October 24, 4 p.m. in Corbly Hall 117; October 27, 1 p.m., Corbly Hall 105; November 1, 2:15 p.m., Smith Hall 335; and November 6, 4 p.m., Smith Hall 418.

Organizers say the purpose of the Teacher Lecturer program is to enable teacher education candidates to interact with minority teachers and to learn of their experiences, especially those dealing with effective teaching in the classroom. They report that the program is aimed at helping candidates receive information through the lectures that will enable them to help all children in the classroom. Lectures are presented in both the fall and spring semesters.

Johnson taught literature and composition at Huntington High School for 20 years before joining the MU faculty. She was the first Carter G. Woodson scholar and holds a Ph.D. in Rhetoric and Linguistics from Indiana University of Pennsylvania, an M.A. in English and a B.A. in French and Spanish, both from Marshall. She is director of Writing Programs for the MU English Department and has headed the MU Writing Project, which emphasizes the teaching of writing for teachers from kindergarten through university, since 1993.

In addition to her numerous publications and workshop presentations, she has served on an array of university committees. In 1998 she was a Faculty Merit Award

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"David is very personable, he's very special to a lot of people, and people are very concerned about him. We're trying to watch out for him and do something to help him. ...we hope people will keep him in their thoughts and prayers," Gillenwater says.

As a volunteer fireman for more than 20 years, Smith is enthusiastic about his duties, co-workers say, and in fact, was one of the co-founders of the Green Valley Volunteer Fire Department.

In order to show the MU community's support, bookstore staff have erected poster boards in the front section of the store where everyone is invited to stop by and sign the boards and write messages. So far well wishers have filled five "cards" and more are on the way.

"There is an ongoing card and we would like everyone to show David that our thoughts and prayers are with him," said Campbell, who takes one of the filled cards to the hospital every day or so. "It is encouraging to him to see how the community is rallying around him...it has a big impact on him. When he sees all the support he has, the cards he's received, the inquiries about him, it helps to keep his spirits up. He even received a handwritten card from Governor Underwood. He has such a good positive attitude and that is so important."

Cards can be sent to him in care of Cabell-Huntington Hospital, Huntington 25701. Donations should be made payable to the University Functions Committee and sent to Mack Gillenwater, Dept. of Geography, and marked "for David Smith."

Scholarship for French Studies Instituted by Marshall Alum

Anges Porter Beaudry, a 1954 graduate of Marshall College, has established the Agnes Porter Beaudry Scholarship designed for use by a MU French major or minor to study in France or another French-speaking country.

"I have established this scholarship to help some of Marshall's most talented students receive the opportunity and experience of study in a French-speaking country," Beaudry said. "I feel that this experience is extremely valuable for a student's general education, personal maturation, and, of course, as background for teach French language and culture."

Recipients of the scholarship must be at the third level in French, have junior standing and a grade point average of at least 3.3. Preference will be given to a student intending to teach French at any grade level.

Beaudry, a native of Charleston, received a Fulbright Grant for graduate study in France in 1954-55 and earned a Master of Arts in French from Case Western Reserve University in 1958. She went on to receive her Doctor of Philosophy in French Literature from the University of Illinois in 1968. She was a faculty member at the University there and later at Depauw University where was recently named Professor Emerita of French.

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Faculty/Staff Achievements

Dr. Howard R.D. Gordon, professor of Adult and Technical Education, conducted a workshop on "Project Evaluation" for the West Virginia Library Commission last month at West Virginia Graduate College. The workshop was funded by the Library Commission.

Dr. William P. Marley, professor and director of the Human Performance Laboratory, Division of Exercise Science, Sport, and Recreation, presented a paper this summer at the First International Conference on Rural Aging. The conference was sponsored by the WVU Center on Aging and co-sponsored by the United Nations Programme on Aging and the World Health Organization. The title of the paper was "Clinical Outcomes for Type 2 Diabetes Patients from Predominantly Rural Areas Aged 44 to 82 in a Community Exercise Program." Co-presenters were Robert C. Touchon, M.D., Chief of Cardiovascular Services at Marshall; Lisa Marsh, M.S., ATC Coordinator, Diabetes Exercise Center, and Michael Williams, M.S. ATC. Marley has also been invited to present two papers at the First World Congress & Exposition on Disabilities, on November 9 and 12 in Atlanta. More than 100 speakers are expected to attend to present topics ranging from clinical management of disability to the recent elite performances in the Paralympic Games held in Sydney, Australia.

Maynard Receives Leadership Studies Recognition



West Virginia Supreme Court Chief Justice Elliot E. Maynard was honored at a luncheon earlier this month for his service in teaching a class for the university's Leadership Studies department. In the photo above, he is assisted with his traditional Marshall green jacket by The Honorable Martha J. Hill (Marshall '75), administrative law judge for the state Office of Judges.

Justice Maynard taught a graduate course, "Youth, Violence, and Education," at the graduate college in South Charleston.

"We're truly pleased to have him teach for us," Dr. Ronald Childress, Vice President for Graduate Studies, said. "He brings a wealth of experience to the classroom. Student response to his class has been outstanding."

Dr. Michael Cunningham, program director of Leadership Studies for MUGC, observed, "Not only did Justice Maynard provide our students with good teaching, he provided a forum for public school perspectives, higher education perspectives and the justice system perspectives to come together in order to exchange philosophies and ideas related to the very important issue of school safety."

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Beaudry's scholarship is an endowed fund that will be increased each year and when complete will produce an income of approximately \$2,000 a year. For additional information on the scholarship, contact Carolyn B. Hunter, vice president of Alumni Development, at ext. 6443.



Dr. Lynne S. Mayer (left), Assistant Vice President for Development, Dr. Terence McQueeney, chair of the Modern Language department, and Agnes Porter Beaudry ('54) review plans for the scholarship bearing Beaudry's name.

Capitol Steps Coming Nov. 1

They've been there, seen that, done that. And now they're about to spoof the people and places that once employed them.

The **Capitol Steps**, a troupe of Congressional staffers-turned comedians who travel the country satirizing their Washington, D.C. experiences, will arrive at the Keith-Albee Theatre on November 1, just in time to give their up-close-and-personal take on the personalities and issues in the up-coming election.

They had their beginning in December, 1981, when three enterprising Congressional staff members were planning entertainment for a Christmas party. Their clever song parodies and skits were so well received they decided to dig into the headlines of the day and bring the spoofs to a wider audience.

Over the past 19 years, the Capitol Steps have recorded 20 albums, appeared on "Good Morning America", the "Today Show," "20/20," "Entertainment Tonight," and "Nightline," as well as dozens of performances for National Public Radio's "All Things Considered."

Tickets are currently on sale and can be obtained by visiting the ticket office in the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center, or by calling ext. 6656. Prices are \$36, \$38, and \$40 plus tax. Half-price tickets are available for youth 17 or younger and groups of 10 or more can receive a 10% discount.

Capitol Steps is sponsored by the Marshall Artists Series, Strictly Business Computer Systems, WOWK-TV, WKEE, WTCR, WAMX, and B-97.

Tuition Waiver Applications Available for Marshall, WVU

Applications for a limited number of spring 2001 tuition waivers for Huntington-based graduate students will be accepted through Monday, November 6, in the MU Graduate College Office, Old Main Room 113, according to Dr. Leonard J. Deutsch, Graduate College dean.

In line with the West Virginia Board of Trustees Policy Bulletin 49, priority will be given to faculty and staff of the state's colleges and universities and to West Virginia residents. A small number of waivers will be awarded to nonresident students.

Deutsch said academic merit will be the major consideration in awarding waivers, which cover tuition. Student Activity fees must be paid by the recipient. School of Nursing and Health Professions fees and lab fees also are not covered by the waiver.

Academic merit will be determined by grade point average and scores on GRE, MAT or GMAT examinations. Up to three hours of waiver for graduate work will be awarded to qualified applicants.

Students interested in being considered for a Board of Trustees tuition waiver based on financial need criteria should contact the Graduate College to obtain the proper application form. Eligible students may be awarded up to six hours of waiver depending upon grade point average. Students who previously held waivers must reapply to be considered for fall waivers.

Applicants who are awarded waivers will be notified by mail. Approved waivers can be picked up beginning Friday, November 10. Waivers not claimed by December 8 will be assigned to other qualified applicants. To obtain further details contact the Graduate College at ext. 6606.

West Virginia University tuition waiver applications for the Spring 2001 term are being accepted in the Graduate Dean's Office—Old Main 113. The application deadline is Wednesday, October 25. Up to six hours may be requested by full-time faculty/staff who have regular appointments, qualify for benefits and been admitted to WVU at a graduate rank.

Applications may be obtained by contacting Charlene R. Hawkins at ext. 2816 or at hawkins@marshall.edu.

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winner and also that year was given Fabulous Faculty Member recognition by Phi Eta Sigma National Honor Society.

The presentations are open to anyone from the MU and Huntington communities. The lectures will be presented to student teachers, secondary methods students, elementary methods students, and the faculty of the College of Education and Human Services.

Excused Absences

Absences have been excused by the university for these students on the dates noted:

November 8th through November 12—Jason Littell, Vince Payne, Catherine Peters, Erica Pierson, Patrick Sheehan, Sara Streit, and Nicole S. Walters.