

# We Are...Marshall!

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## Healthy Heart Month Starts Feb. 1

Marshall folks are noted for their proud wearing of the green but come February people are being urged to spice up their wardrobes with a splash of red. And it's all for the good cause of promoting healthy hearts.

As part of February's American Heart Month activities, the Marshall University College of Health Professions, with the Office of Student Health Education Programs and the Women's Health Center, is hosting a series of activities to increase awareness of the importance of heart health to the Marshall community. One of those activities will be a Heart Healthy Walk around the Huntington campus on Valentine's Day.

This is the first time the university has sponsored activities for this event, which is expected to become an annual one. Each week in February one or more activities will be offered to help the Marshall community learn more about healthy hearts.

"Heart Disease is the number one killer of women in the nation and West Virginia ranks number three in the

### **Undergraduate Research Day at the Capitol Slated for Feb. 1**

Twenty-two Marshall University students are among 103 students representing nine West Virginia colleges and universities who will participate in the third annual Undergraduate Research Day at the Capitol in Charleston on Wednesday, Feb. 1.

The special day occurs from 9:45 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Capitol Rotunda during the legislative session and allows students to present their research in poster format and talk with legislators about their findings. The projects are original research and the posters have been designed for a general audience.

The students are presenting posters in the areas of biology, psychology, computer science and information technology, communications, international studies, forensic science, physics, chemistry, biochemistry, sociology/social work, engineering, history and industrial engineering.

"I think an event like this is special for everyone, including the audience, because it requires all of the participants to think about a research project in the context of its importance to society at large," Dr. Michael Castellani, professor and chair of Marshall's chemistry department, said.

Castellani is co-chair of the event's organizing committee, along with Keith Garbutt of West Virginia University. Charles Somerville, associate professor and chair of Marshall's department of biological sciences, is a member of the organizing committee. Sarah Brinegar, an assistant geography professor at MU, also is on the eight-member committee.

"The combination of being in the state capitol building and speaking with state officials lends a sense

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of nation for heart disease," said Dr. Shortie McKinney, Dean of the College of Health Professions. "Lifestyle changes can help reduce these numbers."

Activities kick off with a reception in the third floor atrium in the Drinko Library on Wednesday, Feb. 1 from noon to 1:30 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to observe the



day by wearing something red—dress, shirt, scarf, tie, hat, or a Red Dress Pin. Information about the prevention of heart disease along with Red Dress Pins will be distributed. University community members are encouraged to wear red again on Feb. 3, which is National Wear Red Day, to show support for women's heart disease effort.

The National Wear Red Day will unite thousands of Americans in the national movement to give women across the nation a personal and urgent wake-up call about their risk for heart disease, according to McKinney.

Additionally, on National Wear Red Day the College of Health Professions will be joining *The Heart Truth*, a campaign sponsored by the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, aimed at raising awareness about women and heart disease to help spread the critical message that "Heart Disease Doesn't Care What You Wear—It's the #1

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### **'Legacy' Tuition Program to Launch This Fall**

A reduced-tuition program for out-of-state children and grandchildren of Marshall University alumni was announced this week.

The Alumni Legacy Tuition Reduction Program allows university "legacies" who graduate from high school in 2006 or later to attend Marshall at a reduced tuition that is much lower than the normal nonresident rate.

"This is about reconnecting people with past ties back to the state," President Stephen Kopp said. "We want to repopulate the state, to encourage people who have left, but have ties to the state, to come back to West Virginia."

Sharon Porter, president of the MU Alumni Association, said the program should benefit future Marshall students and the university.

"Alumni are our greatest recruiters for future students, and what better than to recruit your own children or

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# Smith Barney Supports Child Development Center Project

Marshall's Child Development Academy and Lewis College of Business-Division of Finance have received a \$15,000 grant to facilitate a program aimed at helping students who are the parents of young children develop basic financial skills.



From left, President Stephen Kopp; Dr. Rosalyn Templeton, Dean of the College of Education and Human Services; Dr. Paul Uselding, Dean of the Lewis College of Business; and Brandon Roisman of Smith Barney pose with the presentation check representing Smith Barney's gift.

A check was presented last week from the Citigroup Foundation/Smith Barney Local Contributions Program to President Stephen J. Kopp in a ceremony at the Child Development Academy.

The project funded by the grant will use The Stock Market Game—a computer-simulated investment of \$100,000 in the stock market—to teach responsible use of financial resources.

“Financial guidance and assistance is one of the needs we saw in our population,” Susan Miller, director of the Child Development Academy, said. “Seventy-two percent of our children have a parent who is a Marshall University student. This funding will help the parents develop skills in handling their money.”

The grant will provide funding for 14 teams which will consist of a student, an academy staff member and a financial mentor. The teams will then compete using the stock market game which teaches responsible use of financial resources. The financial mentors will be undergraduate or graduate students in finance or economics and/or local business people.

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killer of Women.” *The Heart Truth* launched the Red Dress as the national symbol for women and heart disease awareness in February 2003.

According to statistics released by *The Heart Truth* heart disease in women strikes women regardless of ethnicity or race and also strikes at younger ages than most people think. Women of middle age run more risk and two-thirds of women who have heart attacks never fully recover, their statistics say.

Upcoming Activities include:

- Feb. 1 and 3 – Wear red to help raise awareness of heart disease
- Feb. 8 and 9 – Brown bag lunch seminars in Memorial Student Center 2W10 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Topics include “Eating for a Healthy Heart,” and “Cardiovascular Disease: Is it Genetic?”
- Feb. 6 at 2 p.m. and Feb. 9 at noon – Tours of the fitness facilities on Marshall's Huntington campus.
- Feb. 14 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. – Heart Health Walk around the Marshall Huntington campus. Participants are asked to wear red. The walk will begin at the Memorial Student Center.
- Feb. 21 – Heart Health Fair from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Lobby. Information will be available as to what is needed to get and stay healthy.

### Photo Reminder

If you or a member of your family had a photo taken with Santa at the holiday party on Nov. 29, please pick up the picture at 213 Old Main if you have not already done so. Photos will be available until Jan. 31.

### Classified Staff Council Seeks Nominees

The Classified Staff Council is accepting nominations to fill the vacant position of EEO Group 50—Clerical. Nomination forms have been sent to members of Group 50 by campus mail.

Any full-time or part-time permanent employee in the Clerical Group who has completed at least one year of consecutive service at Marshall University is eligible to serve on the Council.

Nominations must be returned to the Staff Council office by 4 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 3. Nominations will not be accepted after that date.

## We Are...Marshall!

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The next regular issue of *We Are...Marshall!* will carry an issue date of Feb. 10, 2006. Deadline is Feb. 3. 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](mailto:pdickson@marshall.edu).



## Note of Thanks

Thank you for all your many expressions of love and support during the recent illness and passing of my Mother. Words cannot express my gratitude for your many prayers, calls, cards, flowers, and visits. I am truly blessed to have such wonderfully friends in my life. May God bless you and yours.

With love,  
Prudie Barker

## Profile: Jim Terry

*A series on interesting Marshall University people.*



*Jim Terry*

When it comes to campus security, Jim Terry has done it all. A Marshall graduate with B.S. and M.S. degrees in criminal justice, he's been a patrolman walking a campus beat, an investigator, and Assistant Director of Public Safety. Now he's the director of the that department with the responsibility of overseeing the safety of the Huntington campus.

And safety is the key word, Terry says. The campus is actually a microcosm of society and the issues that affect the general public don't stop at the sidewalks that bound the campus area. The university police force deals with many of the problems that face cities and towns everywhere—occasional drug and alcohol abuse, petty larceny, and problems that often accompany mass gatherings such as large sporting events or visits to the campus by dignitaries such as the President and other prominent figures.

"We're geared more to the prevention aspects of law enforcement," Terry explains. "We make awareness the number one priority so we're more crime prevention oriented. We're responsible for the residents, most of whom are 18 years old and older, and to the general public. Education is the best way to prevent crime so we focus on that. We try to have a visible presence on campus. We patrol by foot, bike and golf carts."

Marshall has a relatively low crime rate, which Terry attributes both to the attitude of students and to the dedication of his staff. "Most of our students are from West Virginia and West Virginia is 49<sup>th</sup> in the nation as far as crime is concerned so we credit that somewhat."

Like campuses everywhere, Marshall isn't immune to problems caused by the twin menaces, drugs and alcohol abuse. For a while there was a downward trend nationally in their use Terry says, but unfortunately that trend now has been reversed somewhat.

"For several years we saw a decrease in drug usage, but now like the rest of the country, there has been an upswing in usage, along with alcohol abuse. But the change in the West Virginia law that raised the drinking age to 21 has helped. Once the limit was raised, other crimes fell. Alcohol and drugs are shown to be involved in most crimes, according to national statistics."

The campus police unit is authorized for 22 full-time employees and currently there is one full-time civilian employee and five contract workers. By statute the Marshall police force has full police powers--the same as any municipality. They can investigate, make arrests and write tickets. Sometimes people don't take these powers seriously, particularly when it comes to parking tickets, Terry says.

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grandchildren to share the Marshall experience," Porter said. "We then hope they will be an active participant in our Marshall Alumni Association by giving of their time and talents back to the university."

The program provides two levels of benefit. A qualifying student with a composite ACT score of 23 or higher and a high school GPA of 3.0 or higher will receive reduced tuition, allowing the student to pay approximately \$5,400 per year in tuition at Marshall University. That compares to the normal non-resident tuition and fees of \$10,617.

If the student has a composite ACT score of 25 or higher and a high school GPA of 3.5 or higher, then the student's tuition will reduce further to approximately \$4,000 per year at Marshall. The current benefits are based on this year's tuition rates and are subject to change each year.

A student with a composite ACT score of 21 or 22 and a high school GPA of 3.0 may also be eligible if he or she has had strong leadership and service experiences while in high school. A review committee will make the evaluation.

Details of the program and the application are available on the Alumni Affairs Web page at [www.marshall.edu/alumni](http://www.marshall.edu/alumni).

## Casto Book Features Photo History of Marshall

Veteran newspaperman James E. Casto has been a Marshall University student, teacher and long-time supporter. Now Marshall is the subject of his newest book, a photo history of the school.

"Marshall University" features more than 200 photographs that chronicle the school's history, from its founding in 1837 to the present day. Most of the photographs included were drawn from the university's official archives.

"I was privileged to have unprecedented access to the MU archives and was unstintingly aided in my research by the school's dedicated library staff," Casto said. "I owe a huge debt of thanks to Dean of Libraries Barbara Winters, Special Collections Curator Lisle Brown, Archivist Cora Teel, and digital media technician Andrew Earles. I couldn't have done this book without their assistance."

Casto was a reporter and editor at the Huntington Herald-Dispatch for more than 40 years until he retired in 2004. He is now senior public information specialist at the Robert C. Byrd Institute for Advanced Flexible Manufacturing.

Educated in the Huntington schools, Casto attended Bethany College for two years, then Marshall where he earned a bachelor's degree in journalism and a master's degree in English. He has taught both journalism and English as a part-time instructor at Marshall and is the author of five previous books of local history. A scholarship in his honor has been established at the W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications.

On Casto's retirement from the Herald-Dispatch, Marshall presented him with its John Marshall Medal of Civic Responsibility in recognition of his many services to the university and the community. Last October he was inducted as a member of the Huntington Wall of Fame.

"Marshall University" was published by Arcadia Publishing for \$19.95 and is now on sale at the Marshall Bookstore and local retailers. It's available on [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com) or directly from the publisher at (888) 313-2665 or [www.arcadiapublishing.com](http://www.arcadiapublishing.com).

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“Parking is always a big thing; there’s never enough. The new parking building has helped, but people still ignore no-parking zones or don’t pay attention to meter times. Campus tickets are valid just as a ticket would be anywhere else,” he says emphatically. “At orientations we warn people not to ignore them. We’ve had parents who have had rude awakenings when they find their student has run up \$900 or more in parking fines that have to be paid.”

Terry, who grew up in Oak Hill, came to Marshall as a student in 1981 and has never left. “I like Huntington and I love Marshall,” he says. After completing two degrees he went straight to work as a patrolman on the campus police force. And for 17 years he’s been teaching classes in criminal justice. He enjoys teaching because it gives him a chance to interact with students. “It keeps me sharp, it re-charges me,” he adds.

He’s seen his share of changes over the years. Students have changed and so has technology. Campus law enforcement has changed. “I’ve seen growth and things evolving since I’ve been here. In the ’80s and into the ’90s there were no laptops. There’s a huge range of things people can steal now. We work with the counseling center and with the Dean of Students and his staff to reach students. We would much rather teach students to make responsible choices than to arrest them. All of our programs are geared to making the public aware of our high risk drinking enforcement efforts. We want to make students stop and think, to say to themselves, ‘Is it worth getting arrested or to get a ticket when I can make another choice?’ I’d like to go out some night on a high risk drinking enforcement effort and not make a single arrest. That would mean someone is getting the message. There’s no way we can eradicate excess drinking or taking drugs, but we can try to raise people’s awareness so they’re responsible for their actions.”

While the police officers deal with a daily range of problems such as simple larceny and parking violations, athletic events and visits of dignitaries can pose a whole new set of logistical headaches.

“Any mass event on campus, such as a basketball game, we’re involved with. On other events, such as football games, we have the support of the city police and the Cabell County Sheriff’s department. For really big events, such as President Bush, John Kerry and Hillary Clinton’s visits to the campus, we get good support from all the local agencies. Those agencies, the Huntington Police Department and the Cabell County Sheriff’s department, have been great to work with. It’s always a real cooperative effort. When President Bush visited in downtown Huntington, we reciprocated by working with the groups handling that visit. Football games are always a challenge. We work closely with the athletic department and they usually go off smoothly. But there’s a lot of work that goes on behind the scenes that people don’t know about.”

His job duties don’t leave much time to pursue personal interests Terry says and he hasn’t taken a real vacation since 1993. But that’s about to change. He’s taken up golf again after putting his clubs away for several years and in April he’s going on a much anticipated golf outing.

Terry is quick to heap praises on his staff. “I work with a great bunch of men and women. They’re dedicated to their work and to Marshall. Most of them have community ties and a number are Marshall graduates. I can’t say enough good things about them. That’s one reason I stay here.”

## Research Day

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of importance to this event that you don’t feel in other scientific gatherings,” Somerville said. “The students respond to that. They talk about their projects enthusiastically and take pride in their work. The students become ambassadors for their institutions and departments. It’s very gratifying for the advisors and event organizers.”

The following is a list of the 22 Marshall participants, along with their home counties, disciplines, research posters and advisors:

- John Allinder, Mason County (Psychology) – “Religion as a Buffer to Juvenile Delinquency in West Virginia.” Marc Lindberg, advisor.
- Jessica Deem, Monongalia County and Davina Bell, Cabell County (Psychology) – “Healthy Lifestyles as Mediated by Religious and Family Values in West Virginia.” Marc Lindberg, advisor.
- Marian Brooks, Cabell County, and Caitlin Cunningham, Kanawha County (Psychology) – “Attachment Issues and Partner Abuse.” Marc Lindberg, advisor.
- Mia Brown, Jefferson County (Biology) – “Regulation of the Plant Response to Gravity.” Marcia Harrison, advisor.
- Maria Ramey, Lincoln County and Danielle Clark, Cabell County (Biochemistry) – “A Novel Colorimetric Method to Measure Galactose.” Menashi Cohenford, advisor.
- Malorie Estep, McDowell County and Samantha Stout, Putnam County (Psychology) – “Casual Models of Delinquent Behavior in West Virginia.” Marc Lindberg, advisor.
- Rachel Ferris, southern Ohio (Graphic Design) – Designed front cover of Third Annual Undergraduate Research Day at the Capitol program.
- Elizabeth Fet, Cabell County (Biology) – “New Species of Microsopoidae (Primates, Mammalia) from the Dawn of the Eocene.” Suzanne Strait, advisor.
- Danielle Davidov, Marion County and Clifton Strange, Fayette County (Psychology) – “The Influence of Parents and Peers on Sexual Promiscuity in West Virginia.” Marc Lindberg, advisor.
- Kristen Grinstead, Mason County (Chemistry) – “Characterization of Proteins Entrapped in Reverse Micelles.” Jaroslava Miksovskva, advisor.
- Sheena Lincolnogger, Cabell County (International Studies) – “How Could Government Respond to an Environmental Terrorist Attack?” Daniel Masters, advisor.
- Christina Majic, Putnam County (Graphic Design) – Designed back cover of Third Annual Undergraduate Research Day at the Capitol program.
- Ashley Moats, Barbour County (Psychology) – “The Effect of Math Word Problems on Group Work vs. Individual Work.” David Trumpower, advisor.
- Cassie York, Cabell County and Wesley Neal, Cabell County (Biology) – “Biomass and Protein Production for Advanced Life Support in a Microgravity-Based Hydrodynamic Focusing Bioreactor (HFB).” Jagan Valluri, advisor.
- Deborah Preston, Lawrence County, Ky. (Biology) – “Effects of Acute Contractile Exercise on MAPK Signaling in the Soleus and Extensor Digitorum Longus Muscles of Syndrome-X Obese and Normal Lean Zucker Rats.” Eric Blough, advisor.
- Heather Rohrig, Clermont County, Ohio (Psychology) – “Religiosity and Religious Tolerance in West Virginia.” Marc Lindberg, advisor.

Other colleges and universities represented during Undergraduate Research Day are Bethany College, Fairmont State University, the University of Charleston, West Liberty State College, West Virginia University, West Virginia Wesleyan College, Wheeling Jesuit University and West Virginia University Institute of Technology.