

MARYMOUNT NEWS

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

As the Shovel Turns...

All members of the Marymount community are cordially invited to join President **James E. Bundschuh** and 10 special guests as they turn the first mounds of earth at the ceremonial groundbreaking for the 26th Street project on Sunday, October 19, at 1:30 p.m.

The event coincides with Family Weekend, so that students and their families can join in the celebration. It will take place rain or shine, and light refreshments will be served. Look for the tent on the 26th Street parking lot!

Construction is expected to begin in December, and project completion is anticipated by July 2010, with the new facilities available for use by the campus community that fall.

At the recent President's Circle Dinner, Marymount announced a \$20 million capital campaign to help fund the 26th Street project and other strategic initiatives. A new campaign video featuring a number of MU students and supporters was shown for the first time at the dinner. To see it, visit www.marymount.edu/campaign.

FYI

All the World's a Stage At Family Weekend

The 26th Street project's ceremonial groundbreaking is just one of many events taking place during Family Weekend, October 17-19.

All faculty and staff are invited to participate in the fun, which will begin on Friday, October 17, with *A Magical Evening* featuring Aaron Black in Bernie's at 8:30 p.m. It's free. On Saturday, *That's Entertainment*, a reception and show featuring MU students, special guest

performers, casino games, prizes, food, and music, will happen in the Lee Center beginning at 8 p.m. On Sunday, a Jazz Buffet Brunch will be held at noon in the dining hall.

Tickets for the Saturday party and Sunday brunch are \$10 each, and available in the Office of Student Activities in the Lodge.

Reston Center Forms Corporate Advisory Board

An 11-member Corporate Advisory Board, developed for MU's Reston Center by **Dr. Donald Shandler**, assistant vice president for Graduate and Adult Education, held its first meeting on September 22.

The group includes two Marymount alumni: **Jennell Evans '98**, of Strategic Interactions, Inc., and **Neil Sawyer '99**, of Hanley Wood. Each earned a master's degree from the School of Business Administration. In addition, several large Reston-based organizations are represented on the advisory board, including Oracle, Reston Hospital Center, and NVR Homes.

The advisory board has been tasked with providing feedback on existing Reston Center programs; identifying new opportunities; and offering insights into recommended program delivery, scheduling, and marketing strategies.

Currently, the Reston Center offers several graduate and undergraduate Business degree programs, as well as a weekend cohort format for the M.Ed. in Elementary and Secondary Education. The center also facilitates Marymount's online R.N.-to-B.S.N. program. Additional programs, such as an undergraduate option in Interior Design, are slated to be added to the center's offerings soon.

Inside MU is a biweekly newsletter for Marymount faculty and staff.

To submit items for consideration in *Inside MU*, e-mail: insidemu@marymount.edu or send via campus mail to University Communications, Rowley Hall, Room 89.

Reston Center to Host Reception

All faculty and staff are invited to a reception at MU's Reston Center showcasing its new environmental graphic design project, on Friday, October 24, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Come after work for snacks and beverages, and see this collaborative project that integrates the disciplines of graphic design and interior design. **Bridget Murphy**, associate professor of Graphic Design, and **Robin Wagner**, associate professor of Interior Design, are the project's creators, and it includes artwork and photography by several other members of the Marymount community.

RSVP by phone or e-mail (ext. 5770 or reston@marymount.edu). The Reston Center is located at 1861 Wiehle Avenue. For directions, visit www.marymount.edu/map/directions/index.html#reston

Help HalloweenFest Become a Spooktacular Success

Marymount's annual HalloweenFest will take place on Friday, October 31, and your help is needed. Sponsored by Campus Ministry and Spirit of Service, the event is for disadvantaged children who trick-or-treat through decorated residence halls and participate in games and scary fun in the Lee Center.

You can donate candy at various locations, including the Campus Ministry office in the Lodge, the Main Campus Security Station, the Copy Center in Rowley Hall, the Residence Life office in Berg Hall, and the Ballston Center security/information desk. Please include your name with the donation.

Faculty and staff are also needed to serve as volunteer judges for the residence-hall decorating contest. To sign up, call ext. 3853. Since this event will take place during regular work hours, please check with your supervisor before volunteering.

DISCOVER Something New!

Faculty, you may *discover* a whole new passion for your profession by teaching a section of DISCOVER 101, the First-year Seminar, one of the multi-faceted projects overseen by the University's DISCOVER Center.

Developed as part of Marymount's reaffirmation of accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the class is designed to introduce students to the University and higher learning. In fall 2009, there will be eight sections of DSC 101, each in need of a faculty leader.

The course is being piloted this semester with four sections running: Heroes and Heroines, by **Rhett Leverett**, History; Who's Dow Jones? by **Dr. Theresia Wansi**, Business; Survivor Marymount: The Mind Body Connection, by **Dr. Sharron Guillett**, Nursing; and Buckwild and Big Brother: Exploring the Mass Media, by **Dr. Jeffrey Breese**, Sociology.

Have an interest? Contact **Dr. Liane Summerfield**, associate vice president for Academic Affairs, (ext. 6479 or liane.summerfield@marymount.edu) to learn more. She hopes to have all eight sections assigned by December.

Flu Shot Clinic

Beat the bug this flu season by getting immunized!

Flu shots will be administered by Inova Health nurses on Tuesday, November 11, between 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the Lee Center Atrium. Vaccinations are available to anyone age 18 or older. The cost is \$23, paid by cash or check. It is not necessary to sign up in advance to receive a vaccine.

For more information, contact the Student Health Center, ext. 1610.

PEOPLE Welcome

John Day, shuttle driver, Campus Transportation

Marina Johnson, security guard, Campus Safety

Garrett Weir, security guard, Campus Safety

Welcome Back

Mary Sheldon, senior administrative assistant, Office of Development (ext. 1647, mary.sheldon@marymount.edu)

EVENTS

Oct. 6 and 7 — Learn about "Turnitin.com," a plagiarism prevention Web site. All MU faculty are invited to stop by the Center for Teaching Excellence conference room, Rowley 222, on either day between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. to set up an account and learn the basics.

Oct. 15 — Deeper Waters discussion group, 1 p.m., The Lodge. Meeting will focus on "Civic Responsibility and the Common Good," by Archbishop Raymond L. Burke of the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

Oct. 15 — Marymount Toastmasters Chapter meeting, 5-6 p.m., Ballston Center. Faculty and staff are welcome to join. Strengthen your skills as a leader and engaging communicator. Attend your first meeting for free to learn more! Questions? Contact Alumni Relations, ext. 1541.

Oct. 16 — "The Meanings of Nudity in Medieval Art," a lecture by Dr. Martha Easton, Bryn Mawr College, 7 p.m., Reinsch Library Auditorium

Oct. 17 — Women's volleyball vs. Mary Washington, 7 p.m., Verizon Sports Arena

Oct. 18 — Men's soccer vs. Washington & Lee, 1 p.m., Washington-Lee High School