Family and friends of West Virginia University students can now deposit money into their Mountie Bounty account through a program called MyMountaineerCard.

Students will be provided a link that can be sent through e-mail to allow for others to deposit money. Family members can now also deposit money without being invited through a “Guest Deposit.” A family member must know the students’ MyID username and confirm the student’s correct information before adding money.

“This is probably the most-anticipated feature, because in the past we’ve been only able to add to a Mountie Bounty account from a machine or one of the cashiers’ offices on campus,” said Brandon Twigg, assistant director of Mountaineer Card Services. “This new option is available 24/7.”

The new website, found at http://mymountaineercard.wvu.edu/, is a one-stop shop that enables students to manage their ID card with options to add Mountie Bounty electronically, check spending history, report a lost/stolen card and check for available laundry facilities online. Students can log on with their MyID username and password.

“I highly encourage every student to take advantage of this new system,” said Student Government Association governor Ryan Campione. “If you don’t, you’re missing out on a phenomenal program that will not only make your life easier, but will also allow you to prepare for the future when dealing with bills, utilities and credit cards.”

Students can add money to their Mountie Bounty electronically through the system by depositing a selected amount between $1 and $500. The payment must be made via credit card, and all four major credit card types are accepted. An e-mail receipt will provide confirmation of the purchase, and that amount will be added instantly to a student’s Mountie Bounty account.

Students can now view all of their transactions made through Mountie Bounty. In addition, they will be able to check the balance for meal plans. An updated number of meals will be shown, along with updated totals of Meals Plus Bonus Bucks.

Students can now deactivate their ID card if it becomes lost or stolen via the MyMountaineerCard website. If the ID is found prior to purchasing a new one, it can bereactivated.

Sophomore named one of Glamour magazine’s 21 Amazing Young Women

Katherine Bomkamp, a political science major from Waldorf, Maryland, was deeply moved by what she witnessed the first time she visited Walter Reed Army Medical Center with her dad, a 20-year member of the US Air Force. She was 16 at the time.

Katherine learned that many amputees were experiencing phantom pain, which is the feeling of pain in an absent limb, and she decided to find a solution.

For her tenth grade science project, she created the pain free socket, a device that incorporates thermal-bio feedback into prosthetics to eliminate phantom pain. Her invention uses heat to force the brain to focus on high temperatures rather than send signals to a limb that isn’t there anymore.

She chose to attend WVU because “I knew they had the resources to help me with this project.” With the assistance of WVU’s Entrepreneurship Center (she is minoring in entrepreneurship), Katherine is working to commercialize her invention and make it available to those who desperately need it.

She is the first WVU student to be inducted into the National Museum of Education’s National Gallery for America’s Young Inventors, and was honored at a ceremony in New York City by Glamour after they named her to their list of 21 Amazing Young Women.

After earning her bachelor’s degree, Katherine has her sights set on law school. Her dream job is to work for Apple or Google. It’s safe to say that the sky’s the limit. 💙
Dear Mountaineer Parents Club Families,

Happy New Year! I trust that you had a wonderful holiday with your students. There was once again more hustle and bustle, and perhaps laundry, in your house! With a new year, comes a time to reflect on changes you want to make for a fresh start . . . .

We encourage our students—your children—to be proactive. This semester encourage your students to take advantage of all that West Virginia University offers. Spring is a great time to try something new. Below are some exciting opportunities for your students. Please discuss these possibilities with them.

- **Get involved!** Has your student joined a student organization? What does he or she like to do? We encourage students to take an active role on campus, and they can through the over 300 student organizations available. [http://sos.wvu.edu/](http://sos.wvu.edu/)

- **Study abroad!** Has your student ever considered traveling to another country? Spring break trips are offered, as well as many others. Encourage your student to check out the amazing opportunities offered through the Office of International Programs. [http://internationalprograms.wvu.edu/](http://internationalprograms.wvu.edu/)

- **Volunteer!** The Center for Civic Engagement offers the chance to “give back.” Students can do this through service learning projects and special and community events. Students who have participated always report a sense of pride, belonging, and accomplishment. [http://cce.wvu.edu/](http://cce.wvu.edu/)

- **Exercise!** The Student Recreation Center is the place to be. Whether students want to walk on the indoor track, climb the 50-foot climbing wall, or swim in the pool, they can at the Rec Center. [http://studentreccenter.wvu.edu/](http://studentreccenter.wvu.edu/)

- **Be WELL!** WELLWVU helps students maintain healthy lifestyles. It is easy for students to forget to take care of themselves without you around. WELLWVU offers a variety of programs, such as TwEAT WELL, a unique social network that provides a fun way for students to increase their intake of freggies. For those of you wondering, freggies are fruits and vegetables. [http://well.wvu.edu/](http://well.wvu.edu/)

I’ve highlighted just a few of the opportunities available. West Virginia University is a place for students to have the adventure of a lifetime. They are able to learn from award-winning faculty and engage in educational activities outside of the classroom.

We know that students look to you for advice, so be sure to stay informed of all that WVU has to give!

Sabrina M. Cave, Executive Director
School of Journalism establishes four scholarships

WVU P.I. Reed School of Journalism alumnus Ray Gillette (BSJ, 1971) and his wife Susan were the first in their family to go to college. The experience changed their lives and motivated them to help future generations.

“We realize that our parents worked hard to help put us through school,” said Gillette. “Today it is even harder to send a child to college. This is especially true for minority students. My wife and I have been successful in life, and we feel fortunate to be able to give this scholarship."

The Raymond and Susan Gillette Minority Scholarship is one of four endowed scholarships established for journalism students during the past year. Others include The Arnold Agency Scholarship, the Col. Thomas J. Boyd Scholarship, and the William and Jean Reed Scholarship.

Ray Gillette is a retired advertising executive and a member of the WVU Academy of Distinguished Alumni. He currently teaches in the School’s online master’s program in Integrated Marketing Communications. Most notably, Gillette served as president of DDB Chicago, a worldwide advertising agency, and later as president of the independent advertising agency Downtown Partners Chicago. Gillette and his wife Susan established the Raymond and Susan Gillette Minority Scholarship, which was awarded in fall 2011.

Linda Arnold (BSJ, 1976), chairman and CEO of The Arnold Agency, provided a strong foundation for our careers,” said Arnold. “We’re glad to help create a foundation for other students.”

The Arnold Agency is an integrated communications firm, specializing in public relations, advertising, government relations and interactive marketing. Headquartered in Charleston, W.Va., the agency has been helping clients across the country with its unique approach to communications for more than 22 years. The Arnold Agency Scholarship will be awarded for the first time in fall 2012.

After more than three decades in military communications, Col. Thomas J. Boyd (BSJ, 1971) believed a scholarship gift would help to support journalism students in their career endeavors. During his career in the U.S. Air Force and U.S. Navy, Boyd had extensive experience dealing with U.S. and international news media, directing crisis communications, strategic communication planning, media training and public affairs. Boyd’s scholarship will be awarded for the first time in fall 2012.

Dean Maryanne Reed joined the School of Journalism as a faculty member in 1993. Before being named dean in 2004, she chaired the School’s broadcast news program. Reed established the William and Jean Reed Scholarship in honor of her parents.

“Establishing the William and Jean Reed Scholarship is a way to honor my late parents, who gave me strong values, a loving home and self-confidence,” said Reed. “In turn, it’s a joy to share my success with the next generation, helping our students build a strong foundation for their future.”

Reed’s scholarship was awarded in fall 2011.
Arch Coal honors commitment to safety with gift

Arch Coal Inc. is donating $300,000 to WVU to fund the Arch Coal Inc. Endowment for Mine Health and Safety Research.

The funds, which will be managed by the Statler College of Engineering and Mineral Resources’ Mining and Industrial Extension Department, will be used to conduct mine health and safety research with an emphasis on mine-level application. The gift is expected to qualify for a match from the state Research Trust Fund.

“We greatly appreciate the important work that WVU is doing to educate a new generation of talented engineers, particularly in the mining and industrial arenas,” said Steven F. Leer, chairman and chief executive officer of Arch Coal Inc. “We applaud the University’s efforts to develop a world-class applied coal mine health and safety research center.”

WVU’s Academy for Mine Training and Energy Technologies, located in the Mining and Industrial Extension unit, trained nearly 10,000 miners in 2010. The Academy offers a variety of courses, including certification courses for new miners and mine foremen, along with training in mine rescue, mine fire safety, and emergency preparedness.

“I want to thank the management and employees of Arch Coal for their generosity and support of our efforts to initiate an Applied Mine Health and Safety Research Center that will focus on industry-identified health and safety issues and emphasize research at the mine level,” said James Dean, director, Department of Mining and Industrial Extension. “We hope that other companies will follow their lead and support this initiative to improve mine health and safety into the future.”

“Since 1913, the Mining Extension program has been pursuing the betterment of the individual miner through a variety of training programs with an emphasis on health and safety,” said Gene Cilento, Glen H. Hiner Dean of the Statler College of Engineering and Mineral Resources. “Gifts, such as this from Arch Coal, allow us to not only continue our work to train the next generation of miners but also focus our research efforts on the issues that are of greatest importance to the industry.”

Alumni create scholarship for medical school

David and Dr. Jo Ann Goldbaugh Shaw also contribute to pathology research

More scholarship money will now be available to students at the West Virginia University School of Medicine thanks to contributions from WVU alumni David and Jo Ann Goldbaugh Shaw, M.D.

The Shaws, from Wheeling, have created a WVU School of Medicine scholarship focused on helping students from each of the four years of medical school.

“We wanted to give financial aid to those students who have severe financial needs and help them focus more on their academic studies. There are bright people who want to go to medical school but can’t afford it. These are the future students you want to capture and bring to WVU,” Dr. Shaw said.

She graduated from the WVU School of Medicine in 1986 and completed her residency in anatomic and clinical pathology at Wake Forest University Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem, N.C. She also completed a cytopathology fellowship at University of North Carolina Hospitals in Chapel Hill, N.C. She was a partner in the group Greensboro Pathology Associates until she retired in 2010.

David Shaw graduated from the WVU School of Pharmacy in 1986 and retired from the Rite-Aid Corporation.

The Shaws have also made a donation to support ultrasound simulation training, which qualifies for a match through the West Virginia Research Trust Fund. This endowment will provide funds for pathology research initiatives in biological, biotechnological and biomedical sciences.

“We are incredibly grateful to alumni like the Shaws for their generous and thoughtful contributions to the School of Medicine. These funds will significantly impact both the academic lives and personal well-being of our students through the enhancement of our curriculum and ability for us to offer more in the way of scholarships,” Arthur J. Ross III, M.D., M.B.A., dean of the WVU School of Medicine, said. “Ultimately, the Shaws’ generosity will allow our students and faculty to participate in essential research projects that will enhance the health and wellness of West Virginians.”

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The system will also send out email and/or text alert messages reminding students when certain events occur with their account, including when laundry is finished and when a Mountie Bounty account balance is less than a certain amount, among others.

Locations, check hold/wait times for machines and set notification preferences. Students can hold up to three machines at once and reserve them for five minutes through the MyMountaineerCard system. If a students’ laundry has been in a machine for an extended period of time and is finished, it will alert the student that the laundry is completed.

In addition, MyMountaineerCard offers students several options to assist with laundry. The laundry feature on the website will allow them to check machine availability, find and reserve machines, select favorite laundry locations, check hold/wait times for machines and set notification preferences. Students can hold up to three machines at once and reserve them for five minutes through the MyMountaineerCard system. If a students’ laundry has been in a machine for an extended period of time and is finished, it will alert the student that the

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Just about any WVU graduate can quickly name their favorite professors, the ones who aided in their education and guided them through their careers. One alumnus and his wife have decided to honor his WVU mentors with a named professorship.

Tom and Sue Tatterson of Martinsburg, W.Va., have pledged $350,000 to the creation of the Ray Marsh and Arthur Pingree Dye Professorship, the first gift dedicated to the creation of a named professorship for WVU’s Davis College of Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Design. The professorship will advance teaching, research and service by providing a broad range of support to an outstanding faculty member in the Davis College’s Division of Plant and Soil Sciences.

The late Professors Marsh and Dye taught in WVU’s Horticulture Program when Tom Tatterson was pursuing his bachelor’s and master’s degrees in that discipline. Raised on a dairy farm near Fairmont, Tom Tatterson came to WVU following in the footsteps of his two older brothers, both of whom had earned degrees in agriculture here.

An introductory horticulture course quickly convinced him to diverge from the family tradition of studying animal husbandry. He spent much of his time as an undergraduate as a student worker in the university greenhouse under Professor Dye. He credits his time in the greenhouse with developing his work ethic and ability to cooperate with others.

As he completed his horticultural studies, he also followed WVU’s ROTC course. After graduation, he served in the military in Alaska. Once he completed his active military service, he turned to Professor Marsh for career guidance. Professor Marsh put him in touch with J.O. Knapp, then the director of the WVU Extension Service, who hired Tom Tatterson as a horticultural specialist. Tom Tatterson served in Extension while completing his master’s degree in horticulture.

Tom Tatterson credits his experiences at WVU, both educational and professional, with his subsequent career success. He left WVU to work for Bayer for over eight years, then moved to Abbott Laboratories where he spent 24 years in increasingly responsible positions. Upon his retirement, he was Abbott’s global director of vector and forestry products.

The Tattersons hope their gift will increase the Davis College’s ability to attract and retain outstanding scholars and students, particularly in horticulture. They also hope it may inspire other alumni to offer their support to WVU. “Faculty support, such as will be provided by the gift from Tom and Sue Tatterson, is precisely what is needed to advance the teaching and research of the Davis College,” said Rudolph Almasy, interim dean. “The Tattersons are helping to guarantee a bright future for our students.”

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“The Division of Plant and Soil Sciences is delighted and honored to receive this significant gift,” said Barton Baker, director of the division. “It is the first gift of this nature for the Division and College and will have a positive impact on academic programs. The gift will especially benefit horticulture, but it will also be of benefit to the Division as a whole.

“It will raise our prestige and help increase our ability to attract faculty and students of the highest caliber,” Baker continued. “We are very fortunate to have alumni and friends like the Tattersons who are generous with their resources and want to strengthen our programs and create great opportunities for WVU and future students.” 🌾
As an undergrad, Sarah (Lovell) Soliman was literally a poster girl for WVU. A double major in computer engineering and biometric systems, with a minor in political science, she found time to skydive, intern at the Department of Defense and at the White House, and study abroad. The Martinsburg native was featured on a WVU billboard because of her accomplishments and friendly, smiling face. She’s now given current WVU students a reason to smile.

She created a $25,000 endowment in honor of her mentor, Dr. Wils Cooley, professor emeritus in the Lane Department of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering. The endowment will provide assistance to engineering students interested in studying abroad.

“Dr. Cooley helped me say, ‘Yes,’ when others were saying, ‘No,’” Sarah said about her study-abroad experience in Morocco. “He helped me figure out a way to coordinate my engineering curriculum so I could graduate on time by getting all my study abroad credits to transfer back. He encouraged me, gave me great advice, and didn’t think I was crazy.”

She added, “Studying abroad in Morocco is what gave me the confidence to go on to complete graduate school in England [at Cambridge] and take my first job out of college in Iraq. The life lessons I learned while studying abroad are an integral part of who I am today, and I wanted to encourage that same self-discovery in others.”

Sarah works for Makarios Solutions, Inc., a defense intelligence consulting firm headquartered in Vienna, Va. She has spent time in Afghanistan working with aerial surveillance platforms and in Iraq working with the Department of Defense’s Tactical Biometric System. In the fall 2009, she was chosen as a Christine Mirzayan Science and Technology Policy Fellow to the National Academy of Sciences and served with the Air Force Studies Board.

2007 graduate endows scholarship

Paul K. Kreider, formerly the dean of the College of Fine Arts and Communication at Western Illinois University, has taken over as the dean of the College of Creative Arts at West Virginia University.

“His reputation as a top-rate performer, professor and administrator will serve the College of Creative Arts well,” said WVU Provost Michele Wheatly. “We are excited to have him lead several important projects within Creative Arts, such as the design and construction of the art museum and initiatives to increase enrollment.”

Kreider has served as a professor and administrator in multiple universities and has performed across the world in famous operas.

“I am honored to be offered the position of dean in the College of Creative Arts at WVU,” Kreider said. “I am looking forward to working inclusively with the excellent faculty and administration in this vibrant college to expand undergraduate and graduate program offerings and to elevate the national stature of its programs.”

Kreider takes over as dean of College of Creative Arts

Kreider, who took over as dean on June 30, was also the chair of the Department of Music at Northern Kentucky University; associate dean of the College of Fine Arts at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas; chair and assistant chair, coordinator of Vocal Studies and director of Opera Theater at the department of music at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas; and instructor at West Chester University.

Kreider co-founded the Southern Nevada Opera Association, won a Teacher of the Year award at UNLV and is a Distinguished Alumnus from the University of Arizona School of Music. He served as a board member of the Illinois Arts Alliance and the International Council of Fine Arts Deans. Kreider has also been a member of the music and Partners in Excellence panels for the Illinois Arts Council.

The College of Creative Arts, one of 13 colleges within WVU, is noted for offering the state’s premiere education and training in the performing and visual arts to approximately 675 majors with 120 faculty and professional staff. The college comprises three nationally accredited schools of Art and Design, Music, and Theatre and Dance.
Did you know?

The WVU women’s soccer team won its second-straight Big East Conference Championship this year. The Lady Mountaineers have now won three league titles in the past five seasons.

Supporters of the WVU Marching Band donated more than $92,300 this year to the WVU Foundation’s Pride Travel Fund, a record amount. The private donations helped the band travel to away football games at Rutgers and Cincinnati.

Two alumni have been named to the WVU Foundation Board of Directors. They are Marty Becker ’74, ’77, and Bob Orders Jr. ’72. The WVU Foundation is the private, nonprofit corporation that generates, receives and administers private gifts for the benefit of WVU.

A successful businessman and philanthropist, an athletics hall of fame alumnus, a campus provost for one of the University’s divisions, and a veteran University communications professional were honored as “Most Loyal” during WVU’s 64th annual Mountaineer Week. The 2011 honorees are Jim Justice, Most Loyal West Virginian; John Mallory, Most Loyal Alumni Mountaineer; Kerry Odell, Most Loyal Faculty Mountaineer; and Becky Lofstead, Most Loyal Staff Mountaineer.

On July 1, 2012, WVU will become a member of the Big 12 Conference. The Mountaineers will begin competing in the Big 12 in the 2012-13 athletic season. At that time, it is expected that the Big 12 Conference will be comprised of ten Universities — Baylor, Iowa State, Kansas, Kansas State, Oklahoma, Oklahoma State, TCU, Texas, Texas Tech and West Virginia. The Big 12’s footprint will encompass five states with over 36 million people. More than 4,100 student-athletes from across the United States and around the world compete annually in the 23 sports sponsored by the conference.

The Mountaineer Parents Club and WVU Transportation and Parking have teamed up to provide students with the opportunity to take a bus home for the major holiday breaks. More than 700 students have been successfully transported this year alone. If you would like to know more, please visit our website at http://parentsclub.wvu.edu/schedules.

West Virginia University officially purchased the Augusta on the Square apartments earlier this summer. The two buildings of The Augusta on the Square have been renamed: Vandalia Hall Blue and Vandalia Hall Gold. The property is slated to become housing for upperclassmen for the upcoming year.

2012 Calendar of Events

March 24 - April 1, 2012, Spring Break recess
April 14 - 16, 2012, Spring Family Weekend
April 16, 2012, Spring Ring Day
The Sophomore Outdoor Adventure Re-orientation (SOAR) program is an innovative 3-credit course that WVU is offering to current freshmen. SOAR students will leave the day after final exams (May 5th) on a 15-day adventure trip to camp, hike, and canoe through the Rocky Mountains of Colorado and the deserts and canyons of Utah, visiting five national parks along the way. Past students have found SOAR to be a great way to decompress after their first year of college. But, more than just an adventure, SOAR students will also be reflecting on their freshman years, identifying personal strengths and values, setting goals for a successful sophomore year, and learning how to live happy and fulfilling lives. Detailed information, including how to apply, can be found at the SOAR website (www.adventurewv.wvu.edu/soar). Applications will be accepted beginning on February 6th, and will be reviewed starting on February 13th, until all spots have been filled. There are only 20 spaces available, so please act quickly. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Dr. Ian Kellems (304-293-4788; Ian.Kellems@mail.wvu.edu). SOAR is administered by Adventure West Virginia and the WellWVU Carruth Center for Psychological and Psychiatric Services.