

Humanities Council Elects New Board Members

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Charleston – The West Virginia Humanities Council elected four new members to its board of directors during the spring board meeting on April 15 in Beckley.

New members include **Jon E. Cawthorne**, Dean of Libraries at West Virginia University, who has presented nationally and internationally on leadership, digital humanities, and organizational change in research libraries; Charleston lawyer **Leslie Dillon**, originally from Mingo County, who concentrates his practice on real property matters, specifically commercial real estate and mineral properties; **Marsha V. Krotseng**, president of Bluefield State College, who has held higher education leadership positions with state-level higher education boards in West Virginia, Ohio, Connecticut, and Mississippi; and **Donald Mock**, senior vice president for United Bank in Charleston, who grew up in Hinton and was the recipient of Rotary International's highest honor given for community and membership service.

Current members **Kevin Barksdale** of Marshall University and Beckley's **Cheryl Hartley** and **Susan Landis** were elected to a second term on the board. The Humanities Council thanked departing board members **Stan Cavendish**, **Sarah Denman**, **Eleanor Heishman**, **and Karen Stakem** for their years of service.

Founded in 1974, the West Virginia Humanities Council is a nonprofit organization serving West Virginia through grants and direct programs in the humanities. The Council's board of directors is composed of 25 citizens from across the state. The board meets three times per year, in varying locations. Members are elected to a three-year term and may be elected to one additional three-year term. For more information, visit the Council's website at www.wvhumanities.org or call (304) 346-8500.