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Regents approve 27 promotions

The West Virginia Board of Regents has approved promotions for 27 Marshall University faculty members, effective with the beginning of the 1979 fall term.

Announcement of the promotions was made today by Dr. Olen E. Jones Jr., executive vice president and acting vice president for academic affairs.

Approved for promotion to full professor rank were Phillip W. Balsmeier, Management Department; William E. Coffey, Social Studies; Ruth T. Wellman, Curriculum and Foundations; Donald D. Chezik, Psychology; William G. Kearns, Speech; Robert F. Maddox, History; Harold T. Murphy, Modern Languages, and Chang L. Kong, Chemistry.

Promoted to associate professor were C. Robert Barnett, Patricia A. Eisenman and Mary E. Marshall, all Health, Physical Education and Recreation; Virginia D. Plumley, Educational Media; Kathryn W. Wright, Curriculum and Foundations; Bruce J. Ardinger, English; Elaine Baker, Psychology; Emory W. Carr, Modern Languages; Michael I. Cornfeld and John E. Dolin, both Art; Loraine Duke, English; Dolores W. Jacome, Modern Languages.

Also promoted to associate professor: John J. McKernan, English; Troy M. Stewart Jr., Political Science; Alan Bailey, Geology; James R. Keller, Mathematics; Dewey D. Sunderson, Geology, and Ralph W. Taylor, Biological Sciences.

Approved for promotion to assistant professor was Kenneth P. Ambrose, Sociology and Anthropology.

In another faculty personnel action, the Board of Regents approved Troy M. Stewart Jr. for tenure, effective with the 1980-81 academic year.

Academic Festival draws 300 to MU campus

More than 300 of the Tri-State Area’s academically talented students will be on Marshall University’s campus Saturday, April 28, according to Dr. Alan Gould, MU professor of history and department chairman.

Students from 24 West Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky high schools will be competing for awards offered in 21 academic disciplines, ranging from history and music to chemistry and business, Dr. Craig Monroe, MU assistant professor of speech, who is coordinating the festival program, reported.

The festival is sponsored by SCORES (the Search Committee on Recruiting Excellent Students), which is composed of faculty members from every academic department on Marshall’s campus, said Gould, who heads the SCORES program.

"SCORES members developed the festival to bring academically superior students to Marshall’s campus, while at the same time providing them an opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge in competition against their peers," Gould explained.

AS season tickets moving, 200 remaining

One thousand season memberships for the 1979-80 community segment of the Marshall Artists Series have been sold and only 200 remain according to Mrs. Nancy P. Hindsley, Marshall University cultural events coordinator.

“We are well ahead of where we were at this time last year,” Mrs. Hindsley said, “and it appears we’ll have another sellout season.”

Season memberships for the 1979-80 season may be obtained by calling the Artists Series office, 696-6656. Prices are $30 for orchestra and loge, $24 for balcony and $12 for youth seats in the balcony. All four programs will be presented in the Keith-Albee Theater and all seats will be reserved.

Next season’s schedule will include performances by the New York City Opera, the New York City Ballet, Russian Pianist Youri Egorov and the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra.

Mrs. William F. Agee of Huntington is general chairman of the season membership campaign. She is being assisted by Mrs. Gerald Reams of Ashland, Ky., who is conducting the drive in the Ashland area.

“IIt is more than a contest to us. It is a form of academic fellowship. We have more than 100 of our own faculty members involved in the project. We want to show these students that Marshall is interested in academic excellence and we want to promote academic excellence in the region’s high schools,” Gould said.

The number of students competing in each event ranges from 70 in English to five in Latin, according to Monroe. Some of the competition is in the form of standardized tests, some will involve actual experiments, and some will be in essay form.

Students in the English competition have already submitted their efforts in writing poetry, short stories, one-act plays and essays. Students in art will bring examples of their work for judging by the Art Department faculty.

Plaques will be awarded to the first, second and third place winners in each event during an awards luncheon scheduled at 1:30 p.m. The high school with the largest number of placings will receive a trophy to take home and display. Each student in the competition will receive a certificate.

“While events will be going on all over the campus, we will have a registration and information desk set up in the lobby of Memorial Student Center,” Monroe said. Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. and the competition is scheduled to start at 8:30 a.m.

Commencement garb here

Faculty and staff cap and gown rental orders are here and may be picked up weekdays from the MU Bookstore on the main level, according to Joe Vance, bookstore manager.

The rental fee must be paid at the time the gown is picked up. The bookstore will be open on Commencement Saturday, May 12, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. for your convenience in returning the academic regalia, Vance said. All rental caps and gowns must be returned by May 14.
Reports of council, committees

The University Council met on April 18 and conducted the following items of business:

1. Began consideration of the addition of a Budget Committee to the Faculty Constitution. Such a provision was provided in the Faculty Senate proposal and was well received by the faculty. If the concept is retained, it will be presented as a Constitutional amendment in the fall.

Salary/wage guidelines given Board of Regents

Below are the salary and wage increase guidelines for FY 79-80 adopted by the Budget Committee of the Board of Regents on April 23. The Committee will seek, and expects to receive, approval of the guidelines by the Board at its May 8 meeting. Your questions or comments will be welcomed.

Frank Aldred

BOR SALARY AND WAGE INCREASE GUIDELINES

I. Classified Employees Compensation
   A. All full-time (as defined by Policy Bulletin No. 51) classified employees employed by the Board on or before Jan. 1, 1979, shall receive at least a seven percent salary or wage increase unless such an increase would place them beyond the maximum pay levels under the general salary schedule as promulgated by the West Virginia Board of Regents for fiscal 1979-80. Exceptions to the minimum seven percent increase are to be reported promptly to the Central Office.

   B. In addition, all such full-time employees shall receive any additional increases necessary to place them at the minimum pay levels within the general salary schedule promulgated by the Board.

II. Nonclassified Employee and Faculty Compensation

   A. All persons employed at an institution on a full-time basis as defined by Policy Bulletin No. 51 on or before Jan. 1, 1979, shall receive an across-the-board increase of five percent; exceptions may be made for such employees on terminal contracts or whose systematic evaluations demonstrate a level of performance substantially below that expected at the particular institutions whose salary exceeds the maximum in the appropriate interval on the basis of the faculty salary schedule intervals promulgated by the West Virginia Board of Regents in its 1979-80 institutional budget request guidelines.

   B. An average increase of at least two percent shall be applied to the compensation for such continuing full-time employees for purposes of equalization, promotion, or other bona fide reasons consistent with institutional practices and procedures. Within this group of employees, an average increase of at least two percent shall be applied to full-time

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2. Considered the possibility of a secretary to serve the various standing committees provided for in the Faculty Constitution. This was also proposed in the Faculty Senate plan and met with general approval. While this would be a service to the faculty, there was some concern about the source of funds for such a position.

Submitted by
Sam Clegg

ACADEMIC PLANNING/STANDARDS

On April 19 the Academic Planning and Standards Committee approved the following courses:

- Psychology 320: Drugs and Behavior--addition, 3 cr.
- Psychology 330: Human Sexual Behavior--addition, 3 cr.
- CI 560-564: Professional Development: (Plus title to identify content)--addition, 1-4 cr.

The Committee also approved the transfer from the Community College to the College of Science of a pre-engineering program that would serve as the basis for a 2+2 degree program with other universities. The new program will not itself offer a degree but is necessary because the engineering technology program in the Community College is being phased out.

A proposal from the Office of Student Affairs to require all new international students to enroll only in the summer was tabled until next fall, and a proposal to change the regulations governing the "I" grade was disapproved.

Finally, the Committee was asked to consider a proposal to allow departments to offer one-half hour of credit for special courses and workshops that meet appropriate academic standards. On this proposal we would like to have more advice from the faculty. The Committee will again consider the matter at its meeting on May 3. Please contact your committee representative if you have an opinion on the proposal.

If you have any questions about any of the above items, please contact Giovanna Morton, chairman, or Bruce Ardinger, secretary.

PHYSICAL FACILITIES/PLANNING

The Physical Facilities and Planning Committee met on April 19 at 11 a.m. Motions and technical corrections amended the parking draft proposal submitted for use during the next school year.

Recommendations to provide parking space for emeritus faculty were approved. Materials to be studied by the committee for action at a subsequent meeting, concerning both the use of campus facilities by off-campus organizations and space requests involving accreditation requirements were made available to the committee.

The next meeting of the committee was scheduled for Thursday, April 26, at 11 a.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 210.

Respectfully submitted,
Eric P. Thorn, Secretary
Physical Facilities/Planning

Books due May 14

Books charged to faculty are due on May 14. Please return books now to avoid conflict with exams and grade reports. Materials may be returned to the library for renewal after May 1.
Medical school, FCOC establish ‘hotline’

A “Diabetic Hotline” has been established by the Marshall University School of Medicine in conjunction with Family Care Outpatient Center (FCOC).

“Our hotline program is a natural extension of the Diabetic Clinic which has been under way for several months,” said Dr. Bruce S. Chertow, MU professor of medicine and clinic director.

“We developed the clinic for diabetics referred by their own physicians to us for additional assistance in adjusting to their illness,” Chertow said. “The hotline is another important communications link to medical assistance for the diabetic.”

The hotline will be open from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. on Tuesdays and from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. on Thursdays. There will also be evening hours for the hotline on Thursdays from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Diabetics with problems or questions may call 696-5200 during these hours.

The Diabetic Clinic is offered every Thursday from 9 a.m. to noon at FCOC, located on the first floor of Doctors’ Memorial Building at 18th Street and 6th Avenue. Appointments for clinic visits can be made by physician referral or by patients without a physician by calling 696-5200.

“We use the team approach, utilizing the services of Janine Gilmore, a registered nurse, and Ramona Anderson, a registered dietician and MU dietetics instructor, who works under my supervision,” Chertow noted. Mrs. Gilmore also will be responsible for the hotline.

The clinic staff provides information and “how-to” instructions, helping diabetics to learn techniques of insulin injection and urine testing and proper foot care procedures. The staff also assists in reinforcing the dietary aspects by developing individualized diets tailored to each patient’s insulin requirements and activity.

“We view both the clinic and the hotline service as continuing education programs for diabetics,” explained Chertow. “We don’t have a cure yet for diabetes, but there are a number of ways to minimize its debilitating effects.

“There is a great deal of information available today on controlling diabetes, but there is also only so much information that a person can absorb at one sitting,” Chertow noted. “These two programs are our attempts to keep a line of communication going,” he added.

Alumni chapter gives to student loan program

The Tri-County Chapter of the Marshall University Alumni Association has presented the Marshall Foundation with a gift of $500 for use in the student loan program, according to Marshall Development Director Bernard Queen.

The money will be used as matching funds for the National Direct Student Loan Program and will generate a total of $5,000 in loan funds available to Marshall students, Queen said.

The Tri-County Chapter is composed of Marshall Alumni living in Mason County, W.Va., and Gallia and Meigs counties in Ohio. Mrs. Charles Lanham of Point Pleasant is the chapter president.

Lt. Col. W.F. Prow to head M.S. Department

Lt. Col. William F. Prow has been appointed chairman of the Military Science Department at Marshall University, succeeding Lt. Col. Joseph W. Corder.

Corder was reassigned by the U.S. Army last month and will become a battalion commander in West Germany. Personnel in the Military Science Department are assigned and have their salaries paid by the Army.

Prow, who also will serve as a professor of military science, is a native of Dawson Springs, Ky. He received his B.S. degree in chemistry and mathematics in 1961 and his M.S. in chemistry in 1973, both from Western Kentucky University.

A participant in the Reserve Officers Training Corps at Western Kentucky, he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army in 1961.

An Army aviator, Col. Prow served two tours of duty in Viet Nam. He also was a member of the ROTC instruction staff at Western Kentucky from 1971 to 1976. In his most recent assignment, he served as chief of the Environmental Factors Branch and Aviation Safety Officer, U.S. Army Safety Center at Fort Rucker, Ala.

Col. Prow is married to the former Mary Hardwick and they are the parents of two children, Todd, 15, and Mark, 11.
Faculty and staff achievements, activities...

Three members of Marshall’s Philosophy Department read papers at the spring meeting of the West Virginia Philosophical Association, hosted by Marshall on April 6-7. DR. HOWARD SLAATTE, professor and department chairman, presented “Kant and the Evil in Man.” DR. JOHN PLOTT, associate professor, read “Theory and Practice of African Islam of Uthman Dan Fodio” and DR. FRANK MINNINI, associate professor, presented “Linguistic Foundations for a Critical Social Science.”

DR. VIRGINIA O. ALLEN, dean of the School of Nursing, was elected to the West Virginia League of Nursing board of directors at the convention on April 5-6 at Ripley. JEANNE DEVOS, director of the associate in science in nursing program, was elected to the nominating committee and MARY ANN ROSSWURM, assistant professor of nursing, is serving a second term as secretary.

DR. RALPH OBERLY, associate professor of physics and physical science, gave a lecture-demonstration on “Lasers and BOR guidelines” (Continued from page 2) faculty as defined in the annual “Faculty Characteristics” reports of the West Virginia Board of Regents. Institutional procedures shall include consultation as to the best methods to be employed with faculty and other groups.

II. Number of Personnel Budgeted
A. Institutions shall follow as closely as possible the allocation guidelines as to FTE personnel numbers, according to the program and level set forth therein. Variations shall require the approval of the Central Office of the West Virginia Board of Regents.

MU orchestra, choir to perform on Monday

Two Marshall University musical ensembles—the A Cappella Choir and the Community Orchestra—will be heard in concerts scheduled Monday, April 30, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

The A Cappella Choir will present the first portion of the program, which is free and open to the public.

Directed by T. Edwin Harkless, Huntington graduate student, the choir will sing a variety of selections, including one of Vaughan Williams’ “Mystical Songs,” which will feature Dr. Paul D. Balshaw, MU professor of music, as baritone soloist.

After an intermission, the Marshall Community Orchestra, conducted by J.D. Folsom, MU assistant professor of music, will perform. Karen Becker, a Huntington High School junior, will be heard as the cello soloist in Saint-Saens’ “Concerto in A Minor.” The orchestra also will present Rimsky-Korsakov’s “Capriccio Espagnol” which features several sections of the orchestra in solo roles.

Excused absences...

Absences have been excused by the respective college deans for the following:

APRIL 19—Women’s Softball team.
APRIL 19-20—Coug Bias, Larry Bowers, Larry Browning, Anthony Crutchfield, Joey Dingess, Ken C. Dodson, Chred Evans, John Hardebeck, Timonty Kincaid, Beth King, Gina LeMaster, Mark McDaniel, Patricia Seifert, Mark Slagheughnoupt, Kevin Sloan, Frederick Smarr, Christopher Trigg, John Turner and Patrick Ward.
APRIL 19-23—University Singers and MU Jazz Ensemble.

Holography” for the Gifted Student Program in Lincoln County on April 5 at Hamlin.

DR. DONALD C. TARTER, professor of biological sciences, presented a paper at the 54th annual session of the West Virginia Academy of Science at Concord College on April 6. The paper was entitled “Food Habits of the Logperch, percina caprodes (Rafinesque), from East Lynn Lake, Wayne County, West Virginia.” Papers on aquatic biology were presented by Marshall graduate students Bill Creemeans and Steve Lawton.

DR. JABIR A. ABBAS, professor of political science, presented a lecture on “Arabs Opposition to Begin-Carter-Sadat Pact” on March 29 in Memorial Student Center 2W22. The lecture was followed by a question and answer period. Prior to the presentation, he was interviewed by WSAA-TV, Channel 3, and portions of the interview were aired on the evening news.

DR. ROBERT MADDOX, associate professor of history, read a paper, “The Politics of World War II Science: Senator Harley M. Kilgore and the Legislative Origins of the National Science Foundation,” at the annual meeting of the Organization of American Historians on April 13 in New Orleans. Maddox represented the state at the membership committee meeting and DR. ALAN GOULD, professor of history and department chairman, was the state representative on the committee on the status of history in the schools.

DR. DANNY G. FULKES, professor of education, has been invited to deliver the commencement address at North Gallia (Gallia County, Ohio) High School on May 25. Fulk is a native of Gallia County.

Two assistant professors from the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Department presented research papers at the April 5-8 convention of the Midwest District of American Alliance of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance at Madison, Wisc. DR. PATRICIA A. EISENMANN, presented “The Effects of Superhydration on the Work Performance of Long Distance Runners,” a paper co-authored by former MU graduate student Terry A. Shepard. DR. ROBERT C. BARNETT presented “The First Olympic Basketball Tournament: A Forgotten Event” and “The Reactions of the Sport Establishment to Three Crises Events in Twentieth Century America.” The latter was co-authored with Leon H. Ryan III, an HPER graduate.

Lecturer to discuss risks of nuclear power

“Accident Risks and Radiation Effects of Nuclear Power Plants” will be discussed by Dr. Marcus McEllistrem in a free, public lecture at Marshall University on Wednesday, May 2, at 7:30 p.m. in Science Hall Auditorium.

Currently professor of physics at the University of Kentucky, McEllistrem earned a Ph.D. degree in nuclear physics from the University of Wisconsin.

The campus appearance of the nuclear physicist is sponsored by the MU Physics and Physical Science Department, according to DR. Ralph Oberly, associate professor and departmental chairman.

Forum film lecture scheduled on Tuesday

“Egypt—Gift of the Nile,” a film lecture by Doug Jones, will be presented at 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 1, in Old Main Auditorium at Marshall University.

The program is sponsored by the Forum Division of the Marshall Artists Series.

Admission is free to all Forum season subscribers and Marshall students with both student ID and Activity Card. Tickets for Marshall students with ID only are $1.