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Marshall Med School receives national award

Calling a Marshall University School of Medicine program "a really unique way of trying to address rural health manpower shortage issues," the National Rural Health Association has given it the Outstanding Rural Health Program Award for 1988.

Dr. John LaCasse, chairman of the committee which selected the Combined Residency/Practice Program for the award, said his committee hoped Marshall's program would serve as a model for other medical schools around the nation.

"We believe a number of academic institutions could

develop similar programs to support rural health in the areas that surround them," he said.

The Combined Residency/Practice Program provides physician services in underserved areas while it also provides a unique educational experience for new physicians. It is part of the school's Department of Family and Community Health.

The combined program adapts the traditional post-graduate training residency for new doctors in two ways. First, it allows participants to take time out from their

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McGovern will speak at commencement

Former U.S. Senator George S. McGovern will be the speaker at Marshall University's 1988 Commencement Saturday, May 14, according to MU President Dale F. Nitzschke.

The ceremonies, beginning at 11 a.m., will be held in the Huntington Civic Center and will be open to the public.

McGovern, the 1972 Democratic presidential nominee,

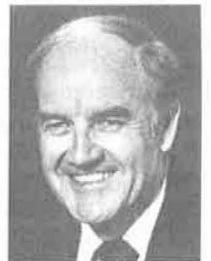
spent two weeks at Marshall last fall as the first occupant of the university's John Deaver Drinko and Elizabeth G. Drinko Distinguished Chair in Liberal Arts.

"Senator McGovern made a tremendous impression throughout our region during his visits to Marshall University last fall," Nitzschke said. "We're pleased and honored that he has agreed to return this spring as our Commencement speaker. Having a former presidential nominee as our guest during this presidential election year will be a stimulating experience for all of us."

The university will award McGovern the honorary Doctor of Laws degree, Nitzschke said.

A native of South Dakota, McGovern received his B.A. degree from Dakota Wesleyan University and his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Northwestern University, majoring in history.

He served as a B-24 bomber pilot in World War II,
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George McGovern

Bond to receive degree

Nelson S. Bond, prolific writer and antiquarian bookman, will be awarded an honorary Doctor of Literature degree during Marshall University's 1988 Commencement ceremonies, according to MU President Dale F. Nitzschke.

Bond, who lives in Roanoke, Va., is best known as an author of fantasy stories, but he also has written humor, science fiction, detective stories, sports and light romance. His fantasy stories brought about the organization of a large and active fan club, the Nelson Bond Society.

Bond is the author of seven books, three plays, six motion pictures, several company histories, more than 500 stories and articles in national magazines, more than 300 network radio plays and more than 50 network television plays.

He adapted one of his stories, "Mr. Mergenthwirker's Lobbies"—first published in Scribner's magazine—as a television drama in 1947. It became the first full-length play ever produced on a television network (NBC)—at a time when the network consisted of only three cities.

The son of a publicist, Bond spent his childhood in Toronto, Scranton, Pa., Plattsburgh, N.Y., Washington, D.C. and Philadelphia, Pa. He attended Marshall College from 1931 to 1934 when he married the former Betty
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Nelson Bond

MU programs accredited

Marshall University's graduate degree programs in Counseling in Community and Other Agency Settings and Student Personnel Services have been fully accredited through June 30, 1993, by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs, according to MU President Dale F. Nitzschke.

Nitzschke said Marshall is one of approximately 50 colleges and universities in the United States and the only institution in West Virginia to receive accreditation for these programs. There are approximately 400 colleges and universities throughout the country that offer programs in counseling.

Marshall's counseling programs are part of the Division of Specialized Allied Studies in the College of Education.

"The council commended the faculty for its efforts in
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Med School receives national award

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residency to practice medicine for one to three years in an underserved area. Using specially designed courses, it also allows them to simultaneously earn a master's degree in community health.

"Usually in postgraduate education, people go through the typical urban/suburban oriented program, and then those who want to do rural practice adapt to that," said Dr. Robert B. Walker, chairman of Family and Community Health.

"This program is set up for highly motivated, highly qualified people who want to do rural practice because of its satisfactions and challenges," he said. "It helps give them the special preparation and special skills that will allow them to meet community health needs."

LaCasse praised Marshall's program for its responsiveness to area needs and its close tailoring to the state's rural environment.

"The committee was particularly impressed with the relationship between the educational program and the rural clinic sites where the school is trying to place people," he said. "One of the strongest features was putting people in practice situations, supporting them while they were out there, and then bringing them back for more education."

The program was begun in 1979 by Dr. David K. Heydinger, now state health director, who was chairman of the Department of Family and Community Health.

It has been underwritten by the Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation, which has contributed more than half a million dollars to the program. Participants' salaries during the practice years of the program are paid by the communities in which they work.

"The support from the Benedum Foundation has been absolutely vital to the success of this program," said MU President Dale F. Nitzschke. "Not many foundations would have been willing to put their money behind a dramatically new idea at a very young school. Benedum was, and the people of rural West Virginia are the ultimate winners. We deeply appreciate the foundation's support."

McGovern to speak here

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winning the Distinguished Flying Cross. He was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1956 and 1958. President John F. Kennedy appointed him director of Food for Peace in 1961.

McGovern was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1962 and re-elected in 1968 and 1974. During his 18-year Senate career he became a leader of the movement to end the war in Vietnam and led the effort to forge a national nutrition policy for the United States.

Following the close of his Senate career, McGovern was appointed as a delegate to the United Nations by both Presidents Ford and Carter.

He and his wife, Eleanor, have four daughters and one son. They now reside in Washington, D.C.

Marshall also will award honorary degrees to Roberta S. Emerson, retired director of the Huntington Museum of Arts; Admiral Paul D. Butcher, deputy commander of the U.S. Navy's Atlantic Fleet, and Nelson S. Bond, prolific writer of books, short stories, plays and radio and television dramas.

Nitzschke called the award a strong endorsement of the Medical School's activities.

"The Marshall School of Medicine is making good on its promise to West Virginians to help provide effective, innovative solutions for rural health problems, and this award helps recognize that fact," he said.

Nitzschke said the program has placed physicians for one to three years in Hamlin, Wayne, Lesage, Rainelle, Barboursville, Spencer, Glenville and Chattoe. It also has made doctors available to underserved groups in the Huntington area. Right now physicians in the practice phase of the program are working in Grantsville and Harts.

School of Medicine Dean Lester R. Bryant predicted that the need for this program and others like it will grow.

"Although the National Health Service Corps has been very effective in placing physicians in underserved areas, the federal government is phasing it out," he said. "Unless programs such as ours step in to pull up the slack, the health consequences for rural people will be negative and profound."

"The success of the Combined Residency/Practice Program shows that we don't have to resign ourselves to a severely limited supply of medical care," he said. "We believe that already this program has accounted for more years of physician service in underserved areas of West Virginia than any program besides the National Health Service Corps."

Walker believes the program is significant both for its service and for its innovativeness.

"It has very simply put a lot of years of physician service in a lot of areas of West Virginia. That's great, and not many places are doing it," he said. "It's also important as a new and unique – and successful – approach to solving special problems."

"The award shows that we have indeed achieved some element of national excellence," he added. "I think the other thing that is encouraging to me is that we feel like we've just scratched the surface. We feel like we can do so much more."

Gerry Stover, executive director of the Lincoln Primary Care Center in Hamlin, nominated the program for the award.

"I've had the opportunity to see first-hand the results of the program and its residents," he said. "From the community standpoint, it's been very beneficial. It's really helped out Hamlin and the surrounding area, and the other communities where these people have served are saying the same thing about their areas."

"It's also valuable to the residents from an educational standpoint," he said. "I was fortunate enough to know Dan Peterson, who did the practice component of his program here, both before and after the program. I think the program helped him grow as a physician. He also became very active in the community, and helped bring about good changes in health care in Lincoln County."

Stover will officially present the award to Walker May 21 in Washington, D.C., at the National Rural Health Association's annual meeting. The meeting's 12 co-sponsors include the American Medical Association, the American Academy of Family Physicians, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, and the Center for Rural Health Service, Policy and Research.

Center gets grant to study tourism

Marshall University's Center for Regional Progress has received a \$28,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Agency to research the feasibility of coal mining related tourism in southern West Virginia.

The state of West Virginia supplemented the grant with \$5,000 to make the total grant funding for the project \$33,000, according to Dr. John R. Spears, director of the Center for Regional Progress.

Spears said research will be conducted by the Marshall University Department of Geography, with Dr. Mack H. Gillenwater and Dr. Howard G. Adkins, professors of geography, serving as the principal researchers

MU programs accredited

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getting the programs accredited and noted that the accreditation report was in excellent form," said Dr. John E. Smith, associate professor in the Specialized Allied Studies Division.

"Everyone in the department worked very hard to get the programs accredited and Dr. Nitzschke and the administration deserve a lot of credit," said Smith. "It is a real accomplishment to receive this accreditation and it says something good about the quality of our programs."

Smith said there are obvious advantages of accreditation to both the institution and the students.

"Students will seek out accredited programs, particularly now that more and more states are adopting licensing laws, and people know that if you graduate from an accredited program you have met certain standards, which is important in a field such as counseling where you work with people," he said.

One immediate advantage for students is that they can take the national board examinations for certified counselors immediately after graduation. Students from non-accredited programs must find employment and wait two years before taking the examination.

Accreditation is a process performed by non-governmental units, such as institutional agencies or professional associations. These organizations establish criteria and procedures for evaluating the quality of education offered by institutions or academic programs.

Smith said the granting of accreditation provides the public with an assurance that satisfactory educational activities are being offered and that the activities will continue to be supported and enhanced.

"The accreditation process is rigorous," said Smith. "We had to meet or comply with an extensive list of recommendations and items, but it was worth all of the hard work. We have quality programs and the accreditation proves it."

Marshall's accreditation process began with a self-study report by MU faculty and administrators that focused on all aspects of the programs. The report was submitted to CACREP for examination. The council then sent an accreditation team to the MU campus for a more detailed look at the programs. After meeting all of the regulations and recommendations, the program was granted accreditation.

The Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs is an affiliate of the American Association for Counseling and Development.

for the project.

Gillenwater said the primary objective of the research will be to determine methods of improving the economy in parts of southern West Virginia by upgrading dilapidated mining towns and sites into public visitation areas.

"Several southern West Virginia counties have been designated by federal and state agencies as economically depressed areas," said Spears, "and new forms of entrepreneurial activities will be essential if these former mining counties are to improve their economies."

Mining culture, mine towns, tipples, company stores and other mining related artifacts and subjects will be investigated in order to determine tourism possibilities in the counties of Mingo, Boone, McDowell, Mercer, Wyoming, Raleigh, Fayette and Logan.

Spears said the the project is related to the "Coal Road" proposal designed to spur tourism and economic development in southern West Virginia.

The project will be completed in three phases and will be conducted over a 10-month period.

Gillenwater said during the research, restored mining towns in Colorado, Wyoming, Utah and Pennsylvania also will be studied to assist in the development of models and ideas for southern West Virginia.

Bond to get degree

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Folsom, a Huntington native he met at Marshall. They have lived in Roanoke since 1939.

Following his long, successful career as a freelance writer, Bond "retired" in the 1960s, but soon became involved full-time with another of his interests as a dealer in antiquarian books. Even in this new career, his writing talents found an appreciative audience. His book catalogs, interspersed with quips, verses and humorous observations, made the catalogs themselves collectors' items.

He has been elected to membership in the Antiquarian Booksellers' Association of America (ABAA), a society limited to proven and respected experts in the field.

"Nelson Bond credits much of his success to the tutelage he received from the late Professor W. Page Pitt at Marshall and to what he has termed 'the most talented group of writers-to-be ever to grace a college campus,'" Nitzschke said. "Mr. Bond has demonstrated repeatedly that he deserves to be ranked very high among that group."

Marshall's Commencement is scheduled Saturday, May 14, at 11 a.m. in the Huntington Civic Center. The ceremonies are open to the public.

Also receiving honorary degrees will be Mrs. Roberta Emerson, retired director of the Huntington Museum of Art, and Admiral Paul D. Butcher, deputy commander of the Atlantic Fleet.

Library schedule set

Marshall University's James E. Morrow Library will be open May 5 from 7:45 a.m. to midnight.

It will be open May 6 from 7:45 a.m. to 10 p.m., May 7 from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m., May 8 from 1 p.m. to midnight.

The library will be open May 9-12 from 7:45 a.m. to midnight and will be open May 13 from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

MU will sell surplus at 'yard sale'

Marshall University's Office of Purchasing and Materials Management will hold a "yard sale" on Wednesday, May 18, at 10 a.m. in the Receiving area of Plant Operations.

University departments and offices may sell surplus supplies and equipment during the sale. Departments will receive 70 percent of the proceeds from the items sold. The funds will be held in a special account for a period of one year for use by the department that sold the equipment or supplies.

William J. Shondel, director of purchasing and materials management, said that unless otherwise

notified, all unsold material will be turned over to the state for their disposal.

University employees may submit sealed bids for any items up for sale.

The supplies and equipment will be on display in Plant Operations May 16-17. The Receiving Office will give out bid forms and envelopes to all interested individuals. Sealed bids must be received no later than 10 a.m. May 18, at which time the bids will be opened.

Successful bidders will be contacted and asked to pick up materials no later than May 20.

Cash, cashier's checks or money orders made payable to Marshall University will be the accepted forms of payment.

University departments will be given preference on the sale items. Departments will be permitted to view the surplus property on May 13.

If one department wants to purchase an item and a purchase price can be agreed on with the seller, the item will be taken out of the public sale.

If your department has materials or equipment it would like to sell, send a list of the items to Shondel by May 6. Plant Operations can pick the equipment up, but it should be clearly marked with your CUFS organization name and code.

The Receiving Office will assign a number to each box of material or each item to keep track of the material through the sale.

To obtain further details contact William J. Shondel, Office of Purchasing and Materials Management, 696-3157.

H.E.L.P. to be offered on campus this summer

An innovative program designed to help college students and prospective college students who have learning disabilities will be held at Marshall University June 14 through July 15.

The H.E.L.P. (Higher Education for Learning Problems) program was initiated in 1986 after a successful pilot program demonstrated the need for this type of service, according to Dr. Barbara P. Guyer, program director and associate professor of education at Marshall.

"There are no similar programs in the region and only a few programs of this kind in the nation," said Dr. Guyer. "In the past we have enrolled students from throughout the United States and as far away as California."

Dr. Guyer said the program was designed with incoming college freshmen in mind, but will be open to any college student with a learning disability.

The program will help the students improve study skills and give them training that will help them successfully attend college.

Participants will receive professional instruction and close supervision from certified learning disabilities teachers, with no more than four or five students per class. The students will be grouped according to age, type of learning problem and interests.

Students will be able to take one regular university course during the program. Tutors will work with the students to improve study and test-taking skills and improve other areas where the individuals might need assistance.

Special attention will be given to improving basic skills in reading, spelling, written language, mathematics, note-taking techniques and memory improvement skills.

Instruction also will focus on improving organizational skills and improving social perception skills.

"An intensive effort will be made to help the students learn that they can succeed in college classes with the appropriate assistance," Dr. Guyer said.

There will be registration and tuition fees. Applications should be submitted by May 15.

To obtain applications or further details contact Dr. Guyer at Marshall University, 696-2851.

WMUL students honored

Two Marshall University students recently received the grand prize in a national broadcasting competition for a program titled "Homeless in Huntington," produced for the university's radio station WMUL-FM, according to Chuck Bailey, assistant professor of speech and adviser to the radio station.

Joel Cook, a recent graduate from Glen Morgan, and Kim Jefferson of Gallipolis, Ohio, received the award in the Audio Public Affairs, Interview Program section during the 25th annual National Student Production Awards competition sponsored by Alpha Epsilon Rho National Broadcasting Society.

Bailey said the purpose of the program was to shed light on the severity of the homeless situation facing the Huntington area and present solutions to help remedy the problem.

"Students at WMUL-FM have received numerous awards in local and regional competitions," said Bailey, "but this is the first time our students have received national recognition. This is a significant accomplishment."

Michael Frye of Huntington also received an honorable mention award during the competition for a program titled "The Emerging Role of College Radio."

Frye's program, also produced for WMUL-FM, dealt with the roles and rapidly expanding markets of college radio stations.

MU Faculty Senate approves motions

(The following report on the April 26 meeting of the Marshall University Faculty Senate was submitted by Elma Chapman, secretary.)

The Faculty Senate met April 26 at 4 p.m. in Corbly Hall Room 105. Thirty-five members and 23 visitors were present.

Recommendations from standing committees were approved as follows:

Faculty Personnel: Motion from Feb. 12 meeting concerning Hearing Panel procedures. Motion from Feb. 28 meeting recommending adoption of Dr. Coffey's faculty development policy on an interim basis.

Graduate Committee: Motion from March 10 meeting. Print types for theses should be standard and should be approved by the graduate dean before preparation of the final manuscript.

Student Conduct and Welfare: Motion from March 10 meeting. It was moved by Joe Stone, seconded by Ralph Taylor, and passed 20-12 that Motion #1 be approved—we support the installation of condom machines in the restrooms of the following

facilities—all residence hall lobbies, Memorial Student Center and 9th floor of Holderby Hall.

An update was given on the summer school proposal and a motion was made and passed:

1. That the first two items suggested in the original Modest Proposal separated by the Executive Committee as a recommendation that was signed off by the president go into effect for this summer, i.e. (a.) that 400/500 courses only count as three hours of teaching and (b.) that independent studies, thesis direction, etc., be given only to chairs to count towards three hours of administration in the summer. To make a six-hour load, then, chairs must teach at least one regular three-hour course. (According to Stuart Thomas, these two recommendations by the deans should "recoup" about \$51,000.)

2. That in the second stage of determining which classes be cut, the deans should find those faculty with two under-enrolled courses and cut one of those two before cutting an under-enrolled class of a professor that has another fully enrolled class. Therefore, a person who has six in one class and six in another would have one course immediately cut, while a person with 20 in one class and six in another would not lose his/her class of six in the first stage of cutting underenrolled classes.

3. To abide by the president's statement in his letter of April 8 that "If the need arises to withdraw certain offerings from the summer schedule, it will be done on some appropriate basis which makes enrollment, academic and programmatic sense—and not done on a simple percentage cutback system."

4. That an oversight committee (two from Academic Affairs and two from Faculty Senate) check all justifications and cuts made by the deans to insure inequities do not arise.

We did not resolve the question of small class justification, but the faculty members on the committee believe that the three following exceptions should be kept: A. If the class has a student enrolled who must have that specific course to graduate that summer. B. If there is a student enrolled in a required course only offered during the summer term. (In some cases it may be possible to substitute another course for the summer course in question.) C. If a class, because of its nature, such as a practicum or applied music, requires restricted enrollment below the enrollment guidelines.

We would also like to reaffirm our support for the course justification rationale on a per faculty member basis, as stated in the Modest Proposal, rather than a per course basis.

At this point, then, the faculty members of the committee appointed by the Executive Committee make the following recommendations:

1. That after the inequities have been remedied (projected at \$51,000) and justifications and cuts have been made (according to the other agreed upon points above or any others we might still come up with) if the \$110,000 difference has not been "recouped," either (A.) monies be found to allow the enrolled classes to run or (B.) "all segments of the university should share proportionately in the cutback."

2. That the oversight committee of four suggested by the president check the cuts and justifications made by the deans.

Two other options were discussed but were not approved by the Faculty Senate:

1. A request that "small class justifications should be submitted at least a week before classes begin in order that students could be notified early" (from Deans' Council minutes, March 18).

2. Decreasing four-hour course pay (normally given six hours) to two-thirds or five-sixths of the salary. The committee does feel that this question needs to be dealt with by the summer school committee in its long-range deliberations, but to vote on this today would not be fair.)

Another concern discussed was the effect on 12-month employees.

The Social Work Committee reported that they talked with the president and found that the Social Work Program was to be cancelled by the Board of Regents if it could not be put into a different structure.

Chaffin dies at work

Ernest Ray Chaffin, Marshall University grounds operator in the Physical Plant Operations Department, died Monday, May 2, after suffering a heart attack while at work.

Chaffin, 43, was stricken at 9:37 a.m. just as he started a pickup truck. The truck crashed into a storage tank in the fenced in area.

He was taken to Cabell-Huntington Hospital where he was pronounced dead at 10:15 a.m.

Area survivors include his mother, Ruby Murphy Chaffin Adkins of Huntington; and one sister, Mary Ann Beal of Sheridan, Ohio.

Kilgore and Collier Funeral Home in Catlettsburg, Ky., was in charge of arrangements.

Letters of Appreciation

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

Thank you very much for the basket of beautiful green plants and spring flowers shared with me during the recent death of my mother.

I greatly appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,
Clara C. Reese

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

Thank you so much for the delicious meat tray and money you sent to me during the time of the passing of my mother.

Your thoughtfulness and consideration will always be remembered.

Sincerely,
Odell Caldwell and
family

Marshall faculty/staff achievements

Dr. IRA F. PLYBON, associate professor of English, presented a lecture titled "World Literature: Homer to the Renaissance" on April 14 to students participating in a humanities enrichment program at St. Joseph's Central High School, Huntington.

Dr. DERYL R. LEAMING, director of the W. Page Pitt

Moon reports to committee

(The following report on the April 6 meeting of the Marshall University Athletic Committee was submitted by Linda Holmes.)

The Athletic Committee met in the Big Green Room in Henderson Center on Wednesday, April 6.

Linda Holmes reported on plans for the Alumni Weekend.

Scooter Shreve gave a report on Big Green activities. He talked about the efforts of the organization to reduce the Athletic Department's shortfall and said the "Help the Herd Campaign" raised \$25,128.25 as of April 6.

According to Shreve, the Big Green Club has submitted a Henderson Center seating study and proposal to Athletic Director Lee Moon.

Shreve also reported that computer equipment had been ordered and will help the organization in conducting fund drives.

Ken Blue said the Student Athletic Awards Committee had met and discussed the Buck Harless Award. Members of the committee recommended that the award be given to a single recipient from all sports. Additional awards will be given to the students who qualify for Outstanding Achievement awards, and team awards for highest grade point average. Blue also reported on the Student Athlete Program.

Don Williams presented a report on the Budget Subcommittee. He said the subcommittee will meet April 27 at 7 a.m.

John Macel reported on the Eligibility Subcommittee. He said the committee considered GPA requirements for eligibility, eligibility for summer school aid, and will discuss the matter of class attendance as a policy for practice and play at a future meeting.

Moon expressed appreciation for support he has received at Marshall. He updated the committee on the clerical layoffs in the Athletic Department and said he will continue to evaluate the remainder of the staff for their strengths and weaknesses. He will make a report at the May meeting.

Moon said he had been working on the budget and indicated that he was considering obtaining a computer and software program for the Athletic Department. He hopes to have the computer installed by July 1.

The athletic director also said the drug-testing program has been reactivated and indicated the university has an excellent drug education program.

Moon is in the process of meeting with campus administrators to facilitate athletic relations. He also informed the committee of the visit of Dr. Terri Riffe, NCAA compliance and review representative, to evaluate the total athletic program. The visit was in response to a request from the President's Committee on Athletics.

School of Journalism, has been elected to serve as Region IV director of the Sigma Delta Chi Society of Professional Journalists. He also is a member of the organization's board of directors. Region IV is comprised of student and professional chapters from Ohio, Michigan, western Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

Dr. RONALD MARTINO, associate professor of geology, chaired the session on "Stratigraphy and Sedimentation" at the 1988 north-central section of the Geological Society of America held April 21. He also presented a paper titled "Trace Fossils From Marginal Marine Facies of the Kanawha Formation (Middle Pennsylvania), West Virginia."

Dr. LEONARD J. DEUTSCH, acting dean of the Graduate School, was a featured speaker at the West Virginia Conference on Black History held April 22-23 in Charleston. His presentation was titled "Ann Flagg, Dramatist."

MARLENE MORELLI-ROBBINS, behavioral training specialist in the College of Education's Research Training Center on Nonaversive Behavior Management, was named "Teacher of the Year" by the West Virginia Society for Children and Adults with Autism at the organization's annual conference held April 15-16. WVSAC nominated her to receive a similar honor from the Autism Society of America.

Dr. MARJORIE KEATLEY, assistant professor of office technology, attended the annual meeting of the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges held April 22-27 in Las Vegas. She serves on the editorial board for the National Council on Community Services/Continuing Education, an AACJC council.

University APC meets

(The following summary of the April 18 meeting of the Marshall University Academic Planning Committee was submitted by Josephine Fidler, secretary.)

Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke discussed the principal commitments of the proposed Marshall University Mission Statement at the April 18 meeting of the Academic Planning Committee.

It was announced that Ann Speer and Bill (Estelle) Bal-langer have accepted appointments as community ex officio non-voting members on the Academic Planning Committee.

Excused absences...

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

APRIL 20-23—Women's Tennis Team.

APRIL 21-24—Men's Golf Team.

APRIL 22—Valarie Wynes, Anissa Henderson, Sheila Copney.

APRIL 27-May 1—Lynn Cotton, Tina Osborne, Erica West, Craig Burd, Todd Crosson, Todd Francisco, Kevin Orr, Kelly Riffle.

APRIL 27-MAY 2—Vickie Adkins, Deb Alley, Kara Baisden, Glennetta Braley, Jennifer Day, Bruce Decker, April Palmer, Lisa Ryan and Mark Whitt.