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Vickers to lead College of Education

Dr. Carole A. Vickers, a member of the Marshall University faculty for the past 22 years, has been named dean of the university’s College of Education, according to MU Vice President for Academic Affairs Carol A. Smith.

“Dr. Vickers, who has been serving as interim dean of the College of Education since July 1987, was selected from a nationwide field of highly qualified applicants because of her experience in the College of Education and her proven leadership abilities,” said Dr. Smith. “I am sure she will continue the tradition of excellence that has been associated with the college throughout its history.”

Prior to joining the Marshall faculty in 1966, Dr. Vickers taught at Concord College, Logan High School and Barboursville High School.

She received her bachelor’s and master’s degrees in home economics from Marshall and her doctorate from Ohio State University.

Dr. Vickers has served in a variety of capacities at Marshall, including chairwoman of the Home Economics Department, and has served as an educational consultant to state education boards in West Virginia, Kentucky, Ohio and Iowa.

In 1985 she was selected in national competition to deliver the American Home Economics Association Commemorative Lecture in Philadelphia. She has been designated as a Distinguished Fellow of the American Council on Consumer Interest and has been named “Outstanding Home Economist in Higher Education” by the West Virginia Home Economics Association.

Dr. Vickers has been a member and officer of numerous community and professional organizations, including the American Home Economics Association, the National Institute of Building Sciences, the West Virginia Home Economics Association, the American Council on... (Continued on page 2)

Deutsch selected dean of MU Graduate School

Dr. Leonard J. Deutsch, a member of the Marshall University faculty since 1970, has been named dean of the university’s Graduate School, according to MU Vice President for Academic Affairs Carol A. Smith.

Deutsch has served as acting dean of the Graduate School since August 1986, and previously served as professor and chairman of Marshall’s English Department.

“We had a number of excellent educators from throughout the country submit applications for the position, but none were more qualified for the job than Dr. Deutsch,” said Dr. Smith. “He has exhibited outstanding leadership and management qualities as acting dean of the Graduate School and as chairman of the English Department. I am sure he will continue to lead the Graduate School in a manner that will benefit our students and bring credit to the university.”

A native of The Bronx, N.Y., Deutsch received his bachelor’s and master’s degrees from City College of New York and his doctorate from Kent State University, where he received a Ford Foundation Dissertation Fellowship and served in a teaching fellowship.

He has written chapters for several books and has written numerous articles for professional publications and journals.

Deutsch has been a member of various professional and community organizations, including the Society for the Study of the Multi-Ethnic Literature of the United States, the Modern Language Association, the College Language Association, the West Virginia College English Association of Teachers, Huntington Galleries, the Tri-State Cultural Commission and the American Civil... (Continued on page 2)

Med School researchers conducting health study

School of Medicine researchers will collaborate with Harvard University and the University of New Mexico on a survey designed to identify the respiratory and other health problems of Kanawha County school children as part of a project by the National Institute for Chemical Studies.

“The project as a whole is looking at a number of things surrounding the potential effects of chemical emissions,” said Dr. Gregory Wagner, director of Marshall’s Occupational and Environmental Health Resource Center.

“At Marshall, we’ll be working specifically with the health survey, which we expect to distribute to children in two or three grades of all 74 Kanawha County public elementary schools,” he said. “We’ll probably distribute the survey to between 6,000 and 10,000 students, who... (Continued on page 2)
MU Senate approves parking changes

(The following summary of the May 24 meeting of the Marshall University Faculty Senate was submitted by Rainey Duke, Faculty Senate president.)

The Faculty Senate met on May 24 at 4 p.m. in Corby Hall Room 104 with Rainey Duke presiding. Twenty-nine members and eight visitors were present.

Five recommendations from the Academic Standards and Curricular Review Committee meeting of April 15 were approved:
1. The motion was made and approved to correct the minutes of the Dec. 4, 1987, meeting of ASCR to include in the list of approved courses HEC 420, Household Equipment, which changed required credit hours from three to two.
2. The motion was made and approved to accept the form for Course Change-Addition-Deletion as presented.
3. The motion was made and approved to accept the report dated March 24, 1988, of course changes, additions and deletions as presented by the Curriculum Subcommittee.

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Consumer Interests, the American Association of University Professors and the National Association of Housing Educators.

She has been listed in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities" and has been the recipient of a Distinguished Service Award from the College of Agriculture and Home Economics at Ohio State University. She also has written numerous articles on home management and education for various professional publications.

"Dr. Vickers has done an excellent job as interim dean of the College of Education," said Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke. "I don't think we could have found a more qualified person to lead the college, and I know we could not have found another person who would be more concerned about the welfare of the students."

"I commend the search committee members for their work and I am sure Dr. Vickers will provide the leadership to guide the College of Education successfully into the future."

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Liberties Union.

While a professor of English, Deutsch specialized and taught courses in Modern American Literature, Afro-American Literature, Techniques of Composition and Film and Fiction, a course he introduced in the university's English Department.

He has been listed in a number of national directories for scholars and writers and in 1975 was named "Outstanding Educator" by the Black United Students organization at Marshall.

"Dr. Deutsch was an outstanding selection for the position," said MU President Dale F. Nitzschke. "He has impressive credentials as a researcher, author and teacher and has demonstrated his administrative abilities in various special programs, as well as the Graduate School since he took over as acting dean. The Graduate School is in good hands."

4. The motion was made and approved to accept the report dated April 7, 1988, of course changes, additions and deletions as presented by the Curriculum Subcommittee.
5. The motion was made and approved to allow the dietetics program to transfer from the College of Liberal Arts to the College of Education.

The recommendation from the Faculty Personnel Committee on Promotion and Tenure criteria was approved as amended. Having been approved by the president, amended copies of the criteria will be sent to the vice president of academic affairs to be distributed to the deans.

Because the quorum was lost at 6 p.m., and action needed to be taken regarding parking before the fall billing of parking stickers, the Executive Committee voted to pass the following three recommendations from the Physical Facilities and Planning Committee:
1. To relocate the parking meters from the Fine Arts Building to the back row of Lots F, S, and G.
2. To change student permit holders' charges for parking for full-time (seven or more hours) to $15 per semester; and for part-time (up to six hours) to $7.50 per semester.
3. To reopen 18th Street to allow permit holders to park; as well as to use 18th Street, 19th Street, College Avenue, as well as "I" lot, as metered lots.

Health study started

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will take it home for their parents to complete."

Marshall researchers and others are working now to develop the survey, which will examine respiratory health and assess symptoms relating to allergic responses and reactions to irritants. The school also will be directly involved in the survey's administration, analysis and interpretation.

Wagner said that air monitoring results gained through another part of the NICS project will be used in the interpretation of the survey.

"Ultimately, we hope through the air monitoring to be able to identify areas in the Kanawha Valley with greater or lesser exposure to emissions," he said. "We hope to be able to compare the health status of children with higher exposure to that of children with lesser exposure."

"Also, for a number of questions on the survey we have data from other areas, and we plan to compare the Kanawha Valley children with these other children."

NICS director Larry Bissett said the overall NICS project, which will also include tumor and birth defects surveillance programs, is funded by a $377,000 grant from the Environmental Protection Agency.

"With this study we expect to address questions that are important to our community, such as whether or not measurable differences in people's health exist as a result of living in close proximity to chemical plants, and whether those differences, if they exist, can be related to exposure to chemical emissions," Bissett said.

Department needs envelopes

The Serial Records Department at James E. Morrow Library needs large inter-departmental envelopes.

Any offices or departments with surplus envelopes can send them to Jacqueline Smith, Serial Records, James E. Morrow Library.
Marshall program named best in state

Marshall University has been presented the “Best in West Virginia” award of the West Virginia Chapter of the Public Relations Society of America (PRSA) for the university’s external communications program.

The award was presented to Director of University Relations C.T. Mitchell by Chapter President Diane S. Hamilton during the organization’s “Annual Awards Gala” at the Edgewood Country Club in Charleston last Friday evening.

Marshall’s entry was judged the winner in the “External Communications Program, Not-for-Profit” category. The “Best in West Virginia” winner was selected from among winners in a dozen awards categories.

Entries were judged by members of the North Carolina PRSA chapter.

“Since this is the first time we’ve entered such competition, we were both surprised and happy to be judged ‘Best in West Virginia,’” Mitchell said. “Although our staff is very small, it is extremely hard-working and I’m gratified by the recognition given our efforts by the West Virginia PRSA chapter.”

This marks the second year in which Marshall has received a major award from the West Virginia PRSA unit.

Last year, MU President Dale F. Nitzschke was recognized as the chapter’s “West Virginian of the Year.”

Newsweek features Guyer

Dr. Barbara P. Guyer, professor of education at Marshall University, is featured in a two-page public service advertisement by Amway Corporation in the June 13 issue of Newsweek.

The “Amway Salute” feature is the fifth in a series sponsored by the company on “Americans who are quietly making a difference.”

“As the founder of H.E.L.P., Higher Education for Learning Problems, at Marshall University in Huntington, West Virginia, Guyer has masterminded a program that changes academic losers into winners,” the article notes.

“And along the way, students get a much-needed shot of confidence and self-esteem.”

The advertisement devotes a full page to Dr. Guyer, including two color photographs. The text describes her efforts to assist learning-disabled students through the H.E.L.P. program, started in 1980 with three students and two instructors, and reports its growth to 85 students and 21 instructors.

Camp discounts available

Marshall University faculty and staff members will receive a discount registration fee for their children who would like to attend the MU Sports-Fitness Camp July 11-29, according to Sharon Stanton, camp director.

The three-week camp will feature instruction for children 5 to 12 years old on the fundamentals of various sports and activities ranging from swimming and basketball to tennis and soccer.

Campers will be divided into two groups: Camp I for children 5 through 12 and Camp II for children 8 through 12.

The cost for children of Marshall employees will be $70 for Camp I and $100 for Camp II.

There also will be a camp for youth 12 to 15 years of age July 18-29. The fee for this camp will be $45.

To register or obtain further details contact Ms. Stanton at 696-2943 or 696-6477.

Election results announced

The results of the annual Classified Staff election held May 19 have been announced.

The successful candidates were: Belinda Callicoat, Support Services-Office Personnel; Elizabeth Nickell, Medical School-Professional; Gloria Rickman, Financial Affairs-Professional; Edna Justice, Institutional Advancement-At Large; Donna Mohr, Athletics-At Large; Michael Adkins, Support Services-Professional; Charlotte Hardin, Student Affairs-At Large, and Barbara James, Academic Affairs-Professional.

New MU employees need to sign up for insurance

All Marshall University employees hired after July 1, 1988, who elect to enroll in the medical insurance plan will be subject to the following premium guidelines, according to Paul J. Michaud, director of human resources, personnel:

- First year—30 percent of the premium; second year—20 percent of the premium, third year and every year thereafter—10 percent of the premium.

Any employee hired in June who does not sign for insurance coverage by June 30 will not have insurance coverage until Aug. 1, and would, therefore, be subject to the above guidelines.

Michaud said it is important for employees hired in June to sign for benefits in June in order not to fall under the new insurance guidelines.

To obtain further details contact Katharine Coffey, 696-2595.

Concerts are scheduled

Two free “brown bag” noon concerts remain this month in conjunction with the Chamber 10 Festival of Music sponsored by the Marshall University Music Department.

The Lincoln Brass Quintet, a new West Virginia ensemble, will perform Monday, June 20, at noon at the Cabell County Public Library.

An hour of jazz will be presented Monday, June 27, at noon at the Cabell Library by the Professors Dixieland Jazz Band featuring John Mead, Ben Miller, J.D. Folsom, Don Williams and Terry Roush.

Guest Pianist Joan Coulter, staff accompanist at the University of the Pacific, Stockton, Calif., will present a concert on Thursday, June 29, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

Admission to Ms. Coulter’s performance will be $5 for adults and $3 for students.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Music Department, 696-3117.
Dr. N.B. Green dies

Dr. Norman Bayard Green, Marshall University professor emeritus of biological science, died Monday, May 23, in St. Mary’s Hospital.

Green, 83, was on the MU faculty from 1938 to 1971, and served as dean of the College of Arts and Sciences in 1968 and chairman of the Zoology Department from 1947 to 1965.

He was one of the organizers of the West Virginia Conservation School at Jacksons Mill and served on its faculty from 1945 to 1960. He also served as part-time instructor at the Portsmouth branch of Ohio University and Ohio State University.

An author of more than 50 scientific papers, last year he co-authored the book “Amphibians and Reptiles in West Virginia.”

Green received his bachelor’s degree from Davis and Elkins College, his master’s from West Virginia University and his doctorate from Ohio State University. He received honorary degrees from Davis and Elkins, Salem College and Marshall.

He was a member of numerous community and professional organizations.

Green was preceded in death by his wife, Tressa Virginia Green, in 1987.

‘P.E.P.’ program begins

Marshall University’s “P.E.P.” program for children with weight-control problems will be offered again this summer, and new participants are being accepted.

The Pediatric Exercise Program uses both education and activities to help children ages 6 through 13 control their weight. The group will meet Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. through August 12. The cost of the program is $50.

More information is available from the Department of Pediatrics, 696-7065.

Comic play scheduled

“An Almost Perfect Season,” a play by Judith Ross, will be presented by the Marshall University Summer Theatre June 23 through June 25 at 8 p.m. in Old Main Auditorium.

According to Director Maureen B. Milicia, the play is a timely comedy concerning politics, sexual equality and sex and love.

Tickets will be $4. To order tickets or obtain further details call 696-ARTS.

Grants are available

The American Council of Learned Societies will offer postdoctoral fellowships and grants in the following categories for 1988-89:

Grants for travel to international meetings; fellowships for Chinese studies; fellowships for East European studies; grants-in-aid; research fellowships for recipients of doctoral degrees, and ACLS fellowships.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Graduate School, 696-6606.

Staff members honored

Marshall University staff members were guests of honor at a luncheon sponsored by MU President Dale F. Nitzschke on May 19 in Memorial Student Center. Staff members with 20 and 15 years of service and retiring staff members were recognized and presented gifts during the luncheon.

Retiring staff members pictured above left to right are: Laura Nance, Robert Nowlin, Phyllis Rice, Patrick Stoler, Eloise Patrick, Tennis Walsh and Dorothy Scruggs. Retiring staff members not pictured include: Ernest Dorsey, Cleone Gordon, Irvin Harrison, Norman Miller and James Wyatt.

Staff members with 20 years of service to Marshall pictured above left to right are: Betty Garrett, Pat Garvin, Charles Newsom, Rosetta Layne, Imogene Scott and Dorman Sargent. Staff members with 20 years of service not pictured include: Helen Bledsoe and Deborah Hicks.

Staff members with 15 years of service to Marshall pictured above left to right are: Sue Bell, Carolyn Endicott, Ken Refflett, Randy Price, Vickie Navy, Charles Harless, Dorothy Scruggs, Susan Lewis, Opal Turner, John Morton, Emmett Dean, Joe Vance and Donald Vaughn. Staff members with 15 years of service not pictured include: Mary Caserta, James Davis, Opal Midkiff, Robert Morris and Alan Ward.
Athletic Committee receives reports

(The following report on the May 4 meeting of the Marshall University Athletic Committee was submitted by Deryl R. Leaming, secretary.)

The Athletic Committee met in the Big Green Room in Henderson Center on Wednesday, May 4, at 3:30 p.m.

After the minutes of the April meeting were approved, Olive Hager reminded members of the role of the Athletic Committee. She said ex officio members should be reminded that they cannot vote on motions presented before the committee.

Linda Holmes presented an update on Alumni Association activities.

Scooter Shreve reported that the sports banquet at Ashland Oil’s headquarters in Russell, Ky., was a success. It is expected that the Athletic Department will clear approximately $10,000 from the event. Shreve said a new seating plan for basketball has been approved and will become effective this fall.

Employee achievements

Dr. JANE C. FOTOS, assistant professor of nursing, was the keynote speaker for the pinning ceremony of the nursing graduates at Southern West Virginia Community College in Logan on May 14. The title of her presentation was “Nursing: The High Tech and High Touch Profession.” She also recently was elected to serve a fifth term as chairwoman of the Cabell Huntington Health Department board of directors.

Dr. CLAIR W. MATZ, professor of political science and director of the Center for International Studies, recently attended the American Forum on Education and International Education held in St. Louis, Mo.

KENNETH E. BLUE, associate dean for student affairs, has been appointed by the Cabell County Commission to the board of directors of the Prestera Center for Mental Health Services Inc.

Dr. CHARLES Q. YANG, assistant professor of chemistry, recently had a paper titled “XPS Studies of the Bonding and Hydrolysis of DI (diocetyl) Pyrophosphate Ethylene Titanate Coupling Agent on Metal Surfaces” published in the Journal of Adhesion Science and Technology (Vol. 2).

Dr. DANNY FULKS, professor of education, delivered an address titled “Writing in Acadeime: Problems and Pleasures” at the West Virginia Library Association’s spring workshop held May 19 in Charleston.

Dr. ELAINE BAKER, professor and chairwoman of the Department of Psychology, and QUEEN E. FOREMAN, affirmative action officer, attended the National Conference on Racial and Ethnic Relations in American Higher Education held April 26-28 at the University of Oklahoma.

LISLE G. BROWN, curator of special collections at James E. Morrow Library, attended the Sunstone Symposium East held in Washington, D.C., May 13-14. He presented a paper titled “The Ordinances of Exaltation: A Proposed Paradigm of Mormon Sacerdotal Practices.” He also addressed the KYOWVA Genealogical Society on the methods for preserving historical documents and records at the organization’s May 17 meeting held in Huntington.

Dorothy Hicks gave an update on Southern Conference matters. She said East Tennessee State had been given a two-year contract for the women’s basketball tournament. She also reported that the conference has a surplus of funds and each school will share in the surplus, with the amount of money going to each school unknown at this time.

The Athletic Committee elected Olive Hager to serve as chairwoman for another year. Phil Modlin was elected secretary.

The committee went into executive session at the request of Athletic Director Lee Moon to discuss personnel matters.

The committee approved the budget as recommended by the Budget Subcommittee.

Moon was asked about the shortfall for the current fiscal year. He said he could not at this time give an estimate of the shortfall since shares from the football playoffs, NIT funds and some pledges have not been received.

Dorothy Hicks presented several recommendations from the Eligibility Subcommittee. Action was taken regarding grade point requirements for student athletes and other matters related to their academic work.

Moon reported that bids were going out for improving the lighting at Fairfield Stadium. He also reported that the MU Foundation had loaned the Athletic Department money to purchase computers.

At Moon’s recommendation, a motion was made that football games after Oct. 1 be played in the afternoon rather than at night, with the starting time at 1:30 p.m. instead of 1 p.m. as in the past.

The meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

Publications discussed

(The following report on the May 5 meeting of the Marshall University Publications Committee was submitted by Cora P. Teel, secretary.)

The Publications Committee met Thursday, May 5, at 4:30 p.m. in Smith Music Hall Room 110 to finish old business and elect officers for next year.

The discussion focused on the fact that the new constitution does not authorize the committee to review the budget of University Theatre and that consideration of such publications as “Et Cetera,” which now is financed by department funds, intrudes too far into departmental considerations.

The committee can review these items only if directed to do so by the Faculty Senate or the Senate Executive Committee.

Dr. Richard Lemke, chairman, deplored the lack of attendance by student committee members, citing the problem of attaining a quorum because of the continued absence of the student members. He also informed the committee of the resignation of Dr. Sallie Plymale, committee representative from the College of Education.

Dr. Lemke was unanimously re-elected committee chairman and Cora Teel was re-elected secretary.

The meeting adjourned at 5:08 p.m.
Letters of Appreciation

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

Thank you for the planter sent to me at the hospital.

Sincerely,
Ernie Cole

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

Thank you for remembering me on my birthday. It’s nice to know that we’re not forgotten when we’re out of sight.

Best wishes,
Leo Imperi

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

The family of Loreta Blaker Bolling would like to acknowledge with deep appreciation your kind expression of sympathy.

The flowers you sent for mother were beautiful and greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,
Dr. W. Blaker Bolling

Course designed for football officials

A course designed for persons interested in becoming football officials will be held at Marshall University July 13 through Aug. 6, according to Robert L. Lawson, director of continuing education at Marshall’s Community College.

The course will be held Wednesdays from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon.

Willard Hunter, a registered class one football official, will instruct the course, which will prepare participants to take the officiating examination administered by the West Virginia Secondary School Activities Commission.

The program will cover all rules and regulations pertaining to the sport and will utilize the football illustration manual, rule book and case book.

Registration for the course will be $55. To obtain further details contact Robert L. Lawson, Marshall University Community College, 696-3011.