12-15-1988

MU NewsLetter, December 15, 1988

Office of University Relations

Follow this and additional works at: http://mds.marshall.edu/oldmu_newsletter

Recommended Citation
http://mds.marshall.edu/oldmu_newsletter/46

This Article is brought to you for free and open access by the Marshall Publications at Marshall Digital Scholar. It has been accepted for inclusion in MU Newsletter 1987-1999 by an authorized administrator of Marshall Digital Scholar. For more information, please contact zhangj@marshall.edu, martj@marshall.edu.
Dear Students, Faculty and Staff:

At this joyous and wonderful time of the year, Linda, David and I want to thank all of you for your friendship, dedication and support. We truly appreciate your efforts and hard work and all of the things you have done to help our family and the larger family that is Marshall University. We are grateful for everything you have done and continue to do for us and the university. May you have a beautiful holiday season and a new year filled with happiness.

Sincerely,
Dale F. Nitzschke
President

IBM provides equipment to Marshall

The International Business Machines Corporation (IBM) announced it will provide $250,000 in computer equipment to Marshall University to assist the university in establishing an Institute for Advanced Flexible Manufacturing Systems, according to MU President Dale F. Nitzschke.

Harless and Scott receive NSFRE honors

A long-time Marshall University supporter and a Marshall administrator received top honors at the recent National Philanthropy Day dinner of the West Virginia Chapter, National Society of Fund Raising Executives.

James H. "Buck" Harless, Gilbert businessman, was selected as the organization's "Outstanding Volunteer Fund Raiser of the Year." Dr. Keith L. Scott, MU vice president for institutional advancement, was named "Outstanding Fund Raising Executive of the Year."

Harless, a member of Marshall's Institutional Board of Advisors and a major contributor to the university, also has been active in developing financial support for other West Virginia institutions of higher education including West Virginia University and Southern West Virginia Community College.

Scott, who joined the Marshall administrative staff in 1985, has provided leadership which has resulted in major increases in annual giving and in the assets of the

Power outage planned

Smith Hall will have a power outage Wednesday, Dec. 21, according to Gene Kuhn, director of special services. Kuhn said the outage is planned to permit workers to set switches for the new elevators being constructed in Smith Hall. He said the Communications Building, which is part of the Smith Hall complex, will not be affected.
steady decline in manufacturing employment during the last decade.

"The annual average manufacturing employment for the state has steadily declined from 126,600 in 1978 to 117,200 in 1980 to an alarming 87,000 in 1986," said Maddox. "Furthermore, West Virginia is forecasted to lose approximately 4,520 more manufacturing jobs between 1986 and 1995."

Maddox said that last year, manufacturing was the leading industry in unemployment in 19 West Virginia counties and the labor market indicates an unaltered statistic in manufacturing in the near future.

"In response to these needs and to assist manufacturers in West Virginia, IBM and Marshall initiated this partnership," Maddox said.

"Marshall has been working with IBM and other industry and government entities for more than a year to facilitate the state's transition from a basic "smokestack" economy to a state positioned on an information, high-tech economic base," he said.

Ann Johnson, IBM's branch manager for West Virginia, has been instrumental in helping Marshall develop a tactical and strategic plan to establish the manufacturing institute and provide a viable option for initiating economic restructuring in the state, according to Maddox.

"We at IBM think this effort is badly needed and this partnership is important, not only to the participating institution, but to IBM's overall endeavor to encourage higher education to assist the state's manufacturing sector," said Ms. Johnson.

Nitzschke said Marshall University has actively been pursuing resources for a computer-integrated manufacturing training facility in West Virginia in conjunction with the state government, federal agencies and other institutions of higher education.

"This IBM program will help establish a comprehensive manufacturing training center in Huntington—one of the major centers of manufacturing in West Virginia," said Nitzschke. "We hope this is the beginning of a long-term relationship with IBM—one of the best corporate citizens in the world."

Wedding receives top professional award

Dr. Danny Wedding of the Marshall University School of Medicine received the top professional award of the West Virginia Head Injury Foundation at the group's awards dinner Saturday (Dec. 10) in St. Albans.

Wedding shares this year's professional honor with Michael Meadows of South Charleston, who works for the state's Division of Rehabilitation Services, said Mike Davis, president of the foundation. The group's award for a family member of a head-injured victim went to Ralph Arnett of St. Albans.

"Danny has worked very closely with our group on problems associated with head injuries," said Davis. "He's very dedicated. He has done a lot of work for the foundation, and has done a lot of advocacy on behalf of head-injured people. We're proud of his association with our group, and we're delighted to make him the recipient of this award."

Wedding heads up the Division of Medical Psychology, part of the Department of Psychiatry, at Marshall's Medical School. He is one of the original board members of the state Head Injury Foundation, and is its representative to the national organization.

Library will close for additional days


It will be open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Dec. 19-21 and Jan. 10-13.

The library will be closed Jan. 3-9 in order to ready the collection for the spring semester, according to Josephine Fidler, interim director of libraries.

Ms. Fidler said because of personnel shortages, the library staff needs uninterrupted time for maintenance and inventory procedures.

In addition, the on-line cataloging system will be down for necessary updating.

Regular library hours will resume Jan. 17.

"The library staff greatly appreciates the forbearance of the Marshall community while it copes with personnel shortages in this critical period," said Ms. Fidler.

Harless, Scott honored

Marshall Foundation during each of the last three years.

The award to Harless was presented by Philip E. Cline, first vice president of the Marshall Foundation. Scott's award was presented by Herbert L. Sharp, acting director of development at West Virginia Wesleyan College.

The National Philanthropy Day dinner was held at the Edgewood Country Club in Charleston. Dr. Alan B. Gould, Marshall's senior vice president, was the featured speaker.
Wagner attends U.S.-U.S.S.R. summit

Dr. Gregory Wagner of the Marshall University School of Medicine was an invited participant in the recent U.S.-U.S.S.R. Emerging Leaders Summit in Philadelphia, an event a summit spokesman said drew 180 of the two nations' "top leaders in their fields."

Wagner, of Marshall's Department of Family and Community Health, was a member of the Medicine and Health Care Commission, one of 16 varied commissions which made up the summit.

Professorship at UT will honor Dr. Held

The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston has created the Berel Held, M.D., Professorship in Obstetrics and Gynecology to honor Held, who now is chairman of OB/GYN at the Marshall University School of Medicine.

Held had spent 16 years in Houston, and was responsible for building the young medical school's Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology there. He was chairman of that department until it combined with the Department of Reproductive Sciences in 1983, then continued as a full professor.

"Dr. Held was a superlative clinical instructor and developed new methods for teaching medical school students," said Dr. Robert K. Creasy, chairman of obstetrics, gynecology and reproductive sciences at Houston. "He also played a key role in establishing the current residency training program."

Held is past president of the Houston Gynecologic and Obstetrics Society and has served for 10 years as examiner for the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Employees can get awards

Marshall University's Division of Training and Development has established a recognition program to reward faculty and staff members who attend training and development seminars.

Marshall personnel who complete 50 hours of training programs and seminars sponsored by the Division of Training and Development will receive a gift and a letter of commendation.

Employees will be recognized for every 50 hours of training.

If you have completed 50 hours of training since Jan. 1, 1987, send your name and a list of all seminars attended to the Training and Development Office, Old Main 207.

Your records will be verified and you will be notified how many hours you have completed.

If you have not reached 50 hours, continue to record the programs you attend and re-submit your list when you reach 50 hours.

To obtain further details contact Nicole Norian, 696-2594.

In fact, he and Dr. Risa Lavizzo-Mourey of the University of Pennsylvania will spearhead the efforts of their commission's U.S. contingent to help U.S. and Soviet doctors communicate better with one another through medical journals, a special publication, and other avenues. In the year before the summit resumes in the U.S.S.R., the Soviet contingent will be doing the same.

"At our last session, we agreed upon a joint mission statement in which we said we would work together to try to solve some of the vital health problems of both countries," Wagner said. The commission began compiling a priority list of mutual health problems, a list he said is already quite long. The group also agreed to look for areas in which joint research or personnel exchanges might help solve those problems.

"The ultimate goal of the summit, and our commission, is to attempt to find ways to work cooperatively in the future to encourage the exchange of information, people, technology and ideas to the betterment of both countries," he said.

U.S. delegates on the Medicine and Health Care Commission included doctors representing different specialties, nurses, lawyers, hospital administrators, a medical ethicist and others. Wagner contributed expertise in the areas of occupational, environmental and public health.

He said the Soviet health-care contingent, made up primarily of doctors, was particularly interested in the U.S. approach to health promotion, disease prevention, alcoholism and substance abuse.

"It was really a remarkable experience," he said, adding that delegates often followed up the summit sessions with informal exchanges lasting late into the night. Some of those exchanges provided insights into the societal changes now going on in the U.S.S.R., Wagner said.

Former professor dies

Dr. Nancy R. Johnson, professor of art education at Louisiana State University and formerly a member of the Marshall faculty, died Sept. 6 in Baton Rouge.

A memorial scholarship fund for art education students has been established in her name.

Letters of condolence and memorial fund contributions may be sent to Dr. Johnson's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth J. Johnson, 7123 Grey Squirrel Blvd., Sarasota, Fla., 34231.

Summer grants available

The Marshall University Research Committee has announced that $25,000 is available for Summer Research Grant support, according to Dr. Bryan Larsen, committee chairman.

Interested faculty who are on nine-month appointments may obtain application forms at the Faculty Senate Office.

The deadline for application will be April 7.

The awards will be for $2,000 and will be awarded on a competitive basis.

To obtain further details contact the member of the Research Committee who represents your school or college.
MU Planning Committee denies parking request

(The following report on the Nov. 30 meeting of the Marshall University Faculty Senate Physical Facilities and Planning Committee was submitted by Lee Olson, secretary.)

The Physical Facilities and Planning Committee met at 3 p.m., Nov. 30, in Harris Hall 450. Steve Mewaldt, chairman, presided.

Members present were: Barry Charles, Robert F. Godfrey, Helen Jenkins, Dan Twehues, Lee Olson, Steve Mewaldt, John Larson, Ben Miller, and John E. Dolin.

Guests were: Donna Spindel, Mary B. Wilson, Don Salyers, and Bob Crowder.

Members absent were: Phyllis Harrah, Laura Hale, and Ray Welty (ex officio).

Donna Spindel presented a proposal for parking permits on behalf of the honors students housed in Ladley Hall. Committee discussion centered on the problems created in making exceptions to the current policy.

John Larson moved that the proposal for parking permits for honor students be denied. Ben Miller seconded the motion. The motion unanimously passed. The committee agreed to review the permit policy later in the year.

Bob Crowder, representative of the Student Government Association, presented a proposal to permit S.G.A. to install an electronic clock/message board on the north side of Memorial Student Center.

The committee discussion reflected concern that the clock was not fitting for an academic environment and that the money ($15,000) could be spent better elsewhere.

John Larson moved that the proposal for permission to install an electronic clock/message board on the north side of Memorial Student Center be denied. Dan Twehues seconded the motion which unanimously passed.

"Campus Voice" wall displays have suddenly appeared in various buildings around campus. Dan Twehues was appointed to determine who gave permission for these displays.

Due to the heavy traffic on 2 1/2 Alley and its poor condition, Dan Twehues moved and Robert Godfrey seconded a motion that a request be made to the City of Huntington to pave 2 1/2 Alley from Hal Greer Boulevard to 16th Street. The motion unanimously passed.

Chairman Steve Mewaldt indicated that the renovation request form needed to be revised and that current proposals needed to be reviewed. He appointed John Larson to chair a subcommittee for this purpose.

Other members of the subcommittee are Dan Twehues and a person from the Physical Plant Division.

The next meeting of the Senate Physical Facilities and Planning Committee will be held in January.

Mewaldt requested that members complete the schedule form indicating their availability for committee meetings.

Excused absences...

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

DEC. 6-7--Women's Basketball Team.
DEC. 9-10--Penny Jones, Vivian Cochrane, Linda Anderson, Tina Napier, Howard Fry, Tish Bell, and Edwina Allen.

Charles K. Connor Jr. of Beckley, left, presents the Marshall University Foundation his check for $500 to boost Marshall's W. Page Pitt Scholarship Fund to $100,005.07. Accepting the gift are Dr. Deryl Leaming, center, interim dean of the College of Liberal Arts, and Vice President for Institutional Advancement Keith L. Scott. Connor, a Marshall alumnus, retired Charleston and Beckley newspaper executive and currently a member of the West Virginia Board of Regents, has contributed his expense reimbursement checks as a board member for the past several years. Named in honor of the late founder of Marshall's School of Journalism, the Pitt Endowment is used to provide scholarships for Marshall journalism students.

Faculty/staff achievements

Dr. ROBERT P. ALEXANDER, dean of the College of Business, attended the annual fall meeting of the West Virginia Association of Academic Deans held at North Bend State Park Nov. 9. The meeting focused on Satellite Transmission/Instruction.

ALEXANDER participated on a panel at the annual meeting of the West Virginia Society for Public Administrators held recently in Charleston. His presentation was titled "Municipal Home Rule for West Virginia: What Will It Mean?" Dr. ALEXANDER also attended the National Municipal League of Cities annual meeting held Dec. 3 in Boston.

Dr. STEBBINS CHANDOR, chairman of pathology, has been appointed to the editorial board of Human Pathology, a leading journal in its field. He also has received the Commission on Continuing Education Award from the American Society of Clinical Pathologists.

Members of the departments of Pathology and Medicine presented posters at the fall meeting of the American Society of Clinical Pathologists/College of American Pathologists. Drs. ELIO MADAN, T. ULF WESTBLOM and MARC SUBIK presented a poster on "Mucus depletion in Campylobacter pylori mediated gastritis." MADAN was first author of a poster on "Pathologic manifestations of perinatal genitlal mycoplasma infection."

School of Medicine faculty, graduate students, and laboratory staff presented abstracts at the annual meetings of the Ohio Valley Chapter of the Society of Toxicology and American Society of Pharmacy and Experimental Therapeutics. Abstracts relating to kidney toxicity were presented by Dr. GARY RANKIN, Dr. PATRICK BROWN, VONDA TEETS, H.H. LO, and DEREK NICOLL. Abstracts relating to cephaloridine toxicity were presented by Dr. MONICA VALENTOVIC, JOHN BALL, and LAURIE SCOTT.
Wayne firm establishes scholarships

Students graduating from high schools in Wayne County will be eligible to compete for $1,000 annual scholarships to attend Marshall University under a program being established by a Wayne County firm.

The first “Dock’s Creek River Terminal-Albert Anderson Scholarship” recipient will be selected next spring, according to Dr. Keith L. Scott, Marshall vice president for institutional advancement.

Each year, a new incoming Marshall student from Wayne County will be selected for a $1,000 scholarship. Students will be able to renew the scholarships annually for three additional years, Scott said.

Scott said arrangements for the scholarships had been made with the Marshall University Foundation, Inc. by Dale A. Anderson, vice president of Dock’s Creek River Terminal. Albert Anderson is president of the firm, which operates a large coal terminal on the Big Sandy River in Wayne County.

To compete for the scholarships, students must live in West Virginia and be graduates of a Wayne County high school. They must have a minimum 3.0 grade point average and be active in extra-curricular activities. To renew the scholarships annually, they must maintain a 3.0 grade point average at Marshall and re-apply each year. Also, they must have financial need, as determined by the Office of Student Financial Assistance at Marshall.

Recipients will be selected by the Marshall Student Financial Aid Advisory Council. Scott said the company had agreed to fund the scholarships, which ultimately will reach a total of four annually, with annual contributions to the Marshall Foundation.

“We’re very appreciative of the Anderson family’s interest in assisting deserving students from Wayne County,” Scott said. “There is a great need for additional scholarship funds at Marshall and the Anderson family’s action represents a significant step forward in our efforts to raise such funds.”

Parthenon staff selected for spring

Two seniors, from Wood County and Berkeley County, have been named editor and managing editor of Marshall University’s daily student newspaper, The Parthenon.

The editor for the spring semester is David A. Jenkins, 1400 17th St., Vienna, son of Betty and Don Jenkins. Jenkins is a public relations major.

Managing editor is Chris D. Miller, Rt. 1 Box A1A, Gerrardstown, daughter of Mary and Richard Miller. She is a news-editorial major.

Other staff positions: desk/news editor, Thomas A. Taylor, 210 Sun Valley Drive, St. Albans, senior, news-editorial major, son of Mary Frances and Leonard E. Taylor; staff editor, Jeremy H. Leaming, 575 Fairwood Road, Huntington, sophomore, news-editorial major, son of Lila and Deryl Leaming; sports editor, Jim Keyser, 231 Nedra Drive, Barboursville, junior, news-editorial major, son of Brenda and Fred Keyser; chief photographer, Robbie L. Fouch, P. O. Box 3, Petersburg, sophomore, news-editorial major, son of Jodi and William Fouch.

Impressions editor, Bill J. France, Box 353, Mt. Gay, senior, news-editorial major, son of Jackie and Freddie France; wire editor, Nick E. Schweitzer, 5786 Glen Carla Drive, Huntington, senior, news-editorial major, son of Carol and Joseph Schweitzer; presidential correspondent, Mary Beth Kisner, 124 Tavern Road, Martinsburg, junior, public relations major, daughter of Jeanie and William Kisner; legislative correspondent, Mary A. Lovejoy, Rt. Box 274, Alkol, junior, public relations major, daughter of Emmett and Esther Lovejoy; cartoonist, Dennis M. Boulay, 3300 Red Fox Drive, Catlettsburg, Ky., sophomore, advertising major, son of Aline and Norman Boulay.

Letter of appreciation

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

On behalf of the family of Paul M. Morton, we wish to express our sincere thanks for your kindness following the death of my brother.

Sincerely,
John and Giovanna Morton

Results of BOR budget survey are announced

The text and results of a recent faculty survey concerning the Board of Regents budget are presented below.


The BOR is currently considering several options to fund these accounts. The Advisory Council of Faculty would like to provide input from faculty in the decision-making process.

In order to represent faculty opinion accurately, we need your assistance. Would you please take a moment to mark your preference on the options from 1 (most prefer) to 3 (least prefer).

Results: A special legislative appropriation was favored by 223 respondents as first choice. Twenty people favored a special appropriation as second choice and three people selected it as their third choice.

An increase in student fees was chosen first by 17 faculty members, second by 166 people, and third by 24.

Employee furloughs was the first choice of four respondents, the second choice of nine persons and the third choice of 123 faculty members.