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News Letter

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Faculty awards plan announced

With the help of the Marshall Foundation, the university will give special recognition to researchers in a new way this spring, Graduate School Dean Paul D. Stewart has announced.

A grand award of \$1,500 and five divisional awards of \$250 each will be presented if worthy entrants are found. Plans are being made to present the awards at a special dinner ceremony in April with an appropriate guest speaker. Among those to be included as guests are the previously-announced recipients of 1976 research stipends.

The plan has been devised by the Research Board as a means of further recognizing those who have devoted extra time and effort in research or creative activities while serving as Marshall faculty members, Dr. Stewart said. The awards will fall into the following categories: Humanities, Social Sciences, Natural Sciences and Mathematics, Business, Education, and Creative Arts.

Attention is called to the procedures and deadline dates involved:

Nominations: Anyone may suggest the name of any

current faculty member for consideration in the competition. The suggestions may be signed or anonymous and should be placed in a box prepared for this purpose located in the Graduate School Office on or before Friday, February 27, 1976.

Selection: All persons whose names are so submitted will receive an invitation to submit a statement of their research related to a single theme along with books or reprints of articles published. (Papers presented at scholarly meetings are not acceptable in this competition.) Similarly in the Creative Arts - music, art, fiction, etc. - appropriate materials can be presented. All work submitted must have been done or published while a member of the Marshall faculty but no other time limit is imposed. Committees composed of Research Board members and other faculty not entered in the competition will choose the awardees.

It is hoped that a large number of nominations are secured and all are urged to submit a name or names, Dr. Stewart said.

MU will seek Southern Conference tie

Marshall University will apply for membership in the Southern Conference, President Robert B. Hayes announced Monday.

"I have every reason to believe the Southern Conference will vote to accept Marshall as a member," Hayes said during a late afternoon news conference.

The announcement followed a meeting of Marshall's Athletic Committee which recommended to Hayes that Marshall make a formal application for membership in the conference. Hayes said he approved the recommendation and would move on it immediately.

Hayes said Marshall has been considering for several weeks the possibility of affiliation with the Southern Conference, along with other options including joining another existing conference or helping establish a new conference.

"When all the possibilities were examined, it became clear that membership in the Southern Conference was by far the most promising alternative for Marshall's future," Hayes said.

The conference is expected to act upon Marshall's application in May.

Hayes said the decision to file application for membership came as a result of telephone conversations with officials of the Southern Conference last Friday. He was advised by Commissioner Kenneth G. Germann that members of the conference "responded very favorably" toward Marshall during a meeting in which expansion of the conference was discussed.

Hayes said a number of factors entered into the decision to apply for membership. "First, we believe Marshall must have a conference affiliation if we are to compete successfully in

intercollegiate football and basketball," Hayes said. "In addition, the athletic programs within the Southern Conference are being operated at a level comparable to ours and we believe we can compete very successfully. The Southern members have excellent academic standard and the conference has a good nationally-known reputation."

Grads can get letters

Students completing graduation requirements at the end of this semester may request letters from their Deans confirming the completion of the degree, Dr. A. M. Tyson, interim vice president for academic affairs, has announced. These letters will be obtainable immediately upon request when final grades are complete and the computation of grade averages has been done.

This has been the practice regularly in the Deans' offices in the past, and it will enable graduating students to obtain certification of graduation by letter in advance of the July mailing of diplomas. Also, official transcripts of grades inscribed with certification of the degree completed may be requested from the Registrar's office in the regular manner for mailing after grades and degrees have been processed and recorded.

Several key Med School positions filled

A number of key positions in the Marshall University School of Medicine have been filled and others are expected to be filled within the next few weeks, according to Dr. Robert W. Coon.

Dr. Coon, vice chancellor for health education for the West Virginia Board of Regents, is functioning as dean of the medical school until a permanent dean is appointed.

Dr. Coon said five of eight clinical departmental chairmanships have been filled and two of the six projected basic science departmental chairmen already are on the job in the medical school.

Named to clinical chairmanships were:

--Dr. Siegfried Werthammer, chairman of pathology

--Dr. Charles H. McKown Jr., chairman of radiology

--Dr. George J. Hill II, chairman of surgery. He also is serving as associate dean for clinical affairs.

--Dr. Ray M. Kessel, chairman of family practice.

--Dr. Ruth C. Harris, chairman of pediatrics.

The two basic science departmental chairmen are:

--Dr. James E. Moreland, chairman of anatomy.

--Dr. Dennis K. Mann, chairman of microbiology.

Dr. Werthammer, of Huntington, has been chief pathologist and director of laboratories at Cabell-Huntington Hospital since 1956 and held the same title at St. Mary's Hospital in Huntington from 1942 to 1961.

Dr. McKown, also of Huntington, has been a partner in the firm of Radiology, Inc. In that capacity, he has served all hospitals in Huntington as a radiologist.

Dr. Hill currently is professor of surgery at the Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis. He has held faculty appointments at Harvard Medical School and the University of Colorado School of Medicine.

Dr. Kessel, of Logan, W.Va., has been engaged in family practice there since 1956. He has held a teaching appointment with West Virginia, instructing third and fourth year medical students.

Dr. Harris is associate professor of clinical pediatrics at Columbia University, in New York, with which she has been affiliated since 1947. She also has been associate attending pediatrician at Babies Hospital and Vanderbilt Clinic since 1950.

Dr. Moreland came to Marshall from the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine where he was professor anatomy.

Dr. Mann was associate professor of microbiology at Southern Illinois University prior to joining the Marshall medical school faculty.

Dr. Werthammer and Dr. McKown joined the Marshall medical school staff last November and Dr. Kessel assumed his duties Jan. 1 of this year. Dr. Moreland was appointed last June and Dr. Mann in July. Dr. Hill, currently serving part-time, will begin his duties on a full-time basis March 15. Dr. Harris will join the staff April 1.

Others who already have assumed faculty positions are Dr. Willard K. Bentz, professor of behavioral sciences; Dr. Robert L. Bradley, professor of anatomy; Dr. Patrick I. Brown, assistant professor of anatomy; Dr. Elizabeth Wolf Corman, professor of behavioral science; Dr. David L. Dawson, assistant professor of anatomy; Dr. Richard A. Gilmore, associate professor of biochemistry-cell biology; Dr. Forrest R. Goodall, professor of biochemistry-cell biology; Dr. Paul H. Guilfoil, associate dean for veterans affairs; Dr. Kenneth E. Guyer Jr., associate professor of biochemistry-cell biology; Guy F. Hollifield, professor of medicine and associate dean for clinical affairs on the Beckley campus, and Ronald C. Larson, associate professor and vivarium director.

Funds are available to assist faculty

During the remainder of the fiscal year, faculty members who are confronted with publication or reviewing costs in the publishing of articles may discuss possible assistance in meeting these costs with Dr. Paul D. Stewart, Graduate Dean. Dr. Stewart said limited funds are also available for aiding persons presenting papers at scholarly meetings of their discipline. These funds have been made available through the Marshall Foundations allocation of funds for instructional enhancement through the Office of Academic Affairs.

Grad Council meets

Graduate Council Meeting of February 11:

Attention was called to a notification of all faculty through the department chairmen to submit suggestions which might improve the policies and practices of the Graduate School. These suggestions will be received in the Graduate School Office until March 15, and the Graduate Council will then review and act upon the ideas presented following that date.

The dean was instructed to remove language from the catalog which may have implied to students that only courses of their choosing would be counted in determining quality point averages. The dean will continue to be open to advisers' recommendations which might waive courses which fall outside of a student's planned program from quality point computations.

Paul D. Stewart
Dean, Graduate School

VIOLINIST TO PERFORM THURSDAY

Violinist Sergiu Luca will present a recital at 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, in Smith Recital Hall as part of the Marshall Artists Series, Convocation Series. At 3 p.m., he will hold an informal workshop in Smith Music Hall 107. Admission to both events is open to the public without admission charge.

'Fashion' continues

A musical trip to the gaslight era of 19th Century New York is offered as the Marshall University Theatre production of "Fashion" continues tonight and Saturday at 8 p.m. in Old Main Auditorium.

The social-comedy classic is directed by Dr. N. Bennett East, associate professor of Speech.

Tickets may be reserved by calling 696-2306 or may be purchased at the door. Admission price is \$2; students may reserve seats by activity card.

Orchestra on TV

Huntington's Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of conductor-composer Paul Whear, will highlight a 60-minute musical special to be seen on WSAZ-TV.

The concert, "Symphony No. 3: The Galleries," will air Monday, Feb. 23, at 8 p.m. The orchestra will perform the original, five movement symphony composed by Whear.

Whear, composer-in-residence at Marshall, used the Huntington Galleries as inspiration for the work's first movement.

Honors Recital to be presented Monday Page 3

David Waybright, Huntington senior trumpet major at Marshall, will present the annual Honors Recital in Smith Recital Hall on Monday, Feb. 23, at 8 p.m. The program is free and open to the public.

Each year the music faculty selects one distinguished student performer to represent the department in the Honors Recital. Auditions for this purpose are held in the fall, all seniors being eligible, with the recital taking place in the following spring semester.

Waybright, student of Assistant Professors J. D. Folsom and John Mead, will perform two sonatas for trumpet and piano by Twentieth Century American composers Kent Kennan and Karl Pilss and a Concerto for Trumpet and Strings by the Baroque German composer George Phillip Telemann. Also

programmed is the Robert Sanders Brass Quintet, in which Mr. Waybright will perform as first trumpet.

Mrs. Jean Davidson will assist at the piano and Malana Henderson, Kenova Junior, at the harpsichord. Alfred Lanegger and Patricia Green, faculty violinists, William Wassum, student violist, and Peggy Johnston, guest cellist, will provide string parts for the Telemann Concerto. Other student members of the Brass Quintet are Richard Tiller, trumpet; Susan Bunsey, horn; David King, trombone, and Ronald G. Smith, bass trombone.

Waybright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Waybright of 2174 Miller Road, is a graduate of Huntington High School. He was a member of the West Virginia All-State Band and has performed with "America's Youth in Concert" at Carnegie Hall in New York and the Kennedy Center in Washington, D. C. With that group he toured seven European countries in 1972.

While at Marshall, Waybright has taken part in virtually every ensemble the university and the community offer, including the Concert and Marching Bands, the Marshall University Orchestra, the Jazz Ensemble, and Music Theatre orchestra. He has acted as assistant director for the MU Jazz Ensemble and for the upcoming production of "West Side Story" at Marshall. He also has been active as a vocalist in the Marshall Symphonic Choir and University Singers, as well as the Trinity Episcopal Church Choir.

Off campus, Waybright has made professional appearances with the Huntington Chamber Orchestra (as first trumpet for three years), the Charleston Symponny and in Huntington Musical Arts Guild and Capers production.

MU faculty and staff

achievements, activities . . .

DR. MICHAEL J. GALGANO, assistant professor of history, is author of an article, "Dependent Women in the Restoration Northwest: An Introduction to Lancashire," which has been printed in the Spring edition of "Selected Papers from the West Virginia Shakespeare and Renaissance Association."

DR. JACK R. BROWN, professor of English, and DUNCAN WILLIAMS, former Marshall English professor, are co-authors of an article, "G. K. Chesterton's 'The Rolling English Road,'" which appears in the February issue of "The Explicator" published at Richmond, Va. Dr. Brown also is the author of an article, "Tips for Tourists," published Feb. 8 in The London Sunday Times.

DR. DONALD C. TARTER, professor of biological sciences, is co-author of an article accepted for publication in the March issue of "Entomological News." The paper is entitled "New Record of the Alderfly *Sialis Itasca* Ross for West Virginia (Megaloptera: Sialidae)."

Absences excused . . .

Excused absences have been approved by the respective colleges for the following students on the dates listed:

Feb. 12 (11:30 a.m.—3 p.m.): David Waybright, Robert Leete, David King, Ronald G. Smith.

Feb. 9: Members of the varsity and junior varsity basketball teams.