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News Letter

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PLENTY OF ADVICE--President John G. Barker tries out the controls of a bulldozer during last Friday's groundbreaking ceremonies for Marshall's new outdoor track. Giving advice are Athletic Director Joe McMullen and Charles Stewart, right, architect for the track project. Wilson Construction Co. has the general construction contract, which calls for completion by Sept. 20. The eight-lane track, built to NCAA standards, will be located in the eastern area of the campus. (Marshall University Photo by David R. Collins)

Forward MU funds allocated

President John G. Barker last week announced plans for the allocation of more than \$160,000 in cash gifts to the Forward Marshall fund-raising campaign.

The three-year campaign was launched last July 24 and thus far has realized \$438,000 in cash and pledges. Last week's announcement of allocations involves only the cash gifts of \$162,797 which have been received.

Other allocations will be announced in the succeeding two years as pledges are redeemed and additional cash gifts are received.

This year's allocations are as follows:

Scholarships for students--\$39,465.

Distinguished lectureships--\$23,021.

College of Business and Applied Science improvements--\$68,080.

Oral History of Appalachia project--\$14,635.

Area-wide workshop in economics education--\$3,500.

"Where the needs are greatest" fund--\$14,096.

Dr. Barker said he was "extremely pleased" with the response area residents, Marshall alumni and business firms have given the Forward Marshall campaign. The three-year goal is \$495,000. "I'm convinced we'll exceed the goal by a substantial margin," Dr. Barker said.

Recital planned tonight

A faculty recital featuring Mrs. Jane Shepherd, professor of music, and Leo V. Imperi, associate professor of music, will be presented in Smith Recital Hall tonight (Friday) at 8 p.m. They will sing selections from operatic works. Assisting will be tenor William Bainbridge, a graduate student. The pianist will be Mary Shep Mann, a former member of the Marshall music faculty.

The free recital will be open to the public and members of the Marshall faculty, staff and student body are especially invited to attend.

Loemker, Mrs. Buskirk honored

A student loan fund honoring two retired members of the Marshall University faculty and staff is being established through the efforts of a prominent Texas educator, Marshall President John G. Barker announced.

The fund is being established by Dr. Alfred R. Neumann, chancellor of the new University of Houston at Clear Lake City. Dr. Neumann is a 1940 graduate of Marshall.

It is being named in honor of Dr. Kenneth K. Loemker, retired professor of psychology, and Mrs. Lillian H. Buskirk, retired associate dean of students.

In sending a cash gift to initiate the Lillian Buskirk and Kenneth Loemker Student Loan Fund, Dr. Neumann wrote, "I shall in the coming weeks start writing to some of my classmates who might wish to join me in honoring these two wonderful people who did so much for so many students."

Mrs. Buskirk, who received her A.B. degree from Marshall in 1928, served on the Marshall staff from 1937 until her retirement, June 30, 1970. During most of those 33 years, she was dean of women.

Dr. Loemker joined the Marshall faculty in 1930 and remained until his retirement May 31, 1971, with the exception of a period of military leave, 1944-46.

Dr. Neumann, a refugee from Nazi Germany, came to the United States in 1937 and entered Marshall that summer. He received his A.B. degree in 1940. He was awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws degree by Marshall in 1964.

Persons interested in contributing to the Lillian Buskirk and Kenneth Loemker Student Loan Fund may do so by contacting Dr. Donald K. Carson, director of university relations at Marshall.

Faculty and staff achievements, activities...

DR. PAUL W. WHEAR, professor of music and composer-in-residence at Marshall University, has recently published a major work through Ludwig Music Publishers of Cleveland, Ohio. The work is a musical epic for chorus, soloists, symphonic band and orchestra, entitled "The Chief Justice, John Marshall." The new work, commissioned by Marshall University, represents in words and music the life and times of John Marshall during the American revolution. It will be performed by the Armed Forces School of Music faculty band with the Virginia Beach Chorale at Norfolk (Va.) Naval Base on March 30, and at the Interlochen (Mich.) Arts Academy, with Thor Johnson conducting, in May.

DR. JAMES TAGGART, associate professor of music, was selected to serve as adjudicator for the Kentucky Federation of Music Clubs auditions held at Morehead (Ky.) State University Jan. 26. Participants in the auditions included high school pianists from throughout Kentucky.

DR. WILLIAM F. ASHFORD, chairman of the Department

of Marketing in the College of Business and Applied Science, was honored recently by the National Association of Purchasing Management. Following the association's monthly dinner meeting, at which Dr. Ashford was the guest speaker, the executive vice president, Frank J. Winters, presented him with an academic NAPM membership.

DR. THOMAS E. WEAKS, assistant professor of biological sciences, has received a research grant-in-aid from Sigma Xi which is to be used in support of a study of the effect of 2-amino-4 (guanidinoxy) butyric acid on Rhizobium.

DR. ROBERT C. BARNETT, assistant professor of physical education, presented a discussion of the history and rules of wrestling during an assembly at Ironton (Ohio) High School Jan. 14. He was assisted in providing a demonstration by members of the Marshall wrestling team.

DR. WILLIAM A. McDOWELL, assistant professor of counseling and rehabilitation, presented a lecture-discussion at the Dec. 14 meeting of the Huntington Chapter of Parents without Partners. His topic was "Sharing Getting It Together."

DR. DAVID CUSICK, Department of Mathematics, spoke at John Adams Junior High School, Charleston, Jan. 25. His topic was "Mind Reading and the Binary Numbers."

MRS. ELIZABETH CZOMPO, Department of Mathematics, spoke at Dunbar Junior High School Jan. 28 and at Winfield High School Jan. 31 on the topic "Think Metric."

DR. MARVIN D. MILLS, associate professor of safety, has returned from Irvine, Calif., where he attended a meeting of the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Study Section at the University of California at Irvine, Jan. 23-25. The meeting involved discussion of problems of pesticides and insecticides on the health and safety of farm workers.

DR. KENNETH SLACK, director of libraries, was scheduled to be interviewed on WHTN-TV's Noon News program today. DR. PAUL WHEAR, professor of music, is scheduled to be a guest on the program Wednesday, Feb. 6. (WHTN-TV normally interviews a member of the Marshall University community once each week as part of its Noon News program. Arrangements are made through Marshall's Office of Informational Services, Old Main 115. Faculty and staff members engaged in unusual projects or having expertise or views on timely subjects are encouraged to contact the Office of Informational Services to discuss the possibility of an appearance on the Noon News program.)

Art students' work on display

The works of 12 Marshall University art students are featured in a sculpture exhibit currently on display on the second floor of Marshall's James E. Morrow Library. The exhibit will continue through Friday, Feb. 15, according to Robert P. Hutton, art instructor.

Students represented in the sculpture exhibit are Byron Chevront, Connie Caldwell, Margaret Conley, Allen Denny, John Cheetham, Sandra Doucet, Dean McCloud, Byron Johnson, Margaret Wise, Margie Holbrook, Ramona McCallister and Julian Fawcett.

Also on display in connection with the sculpture exhibit are drawings by students of Carol Demiray, assistant professor of art. Represented are Gina McKay, Mike Sparks, Adah Karen Johnson, David Nance, Larry Diamond, Linda Broadwater, Thomas Silecchia, Gwendolyn Canada, Peggy Moore and Marieda Williams.

DEADLINE IS TODAY

Today is the last day for faculty cap and gown orders to be taken by the Bookstore, Manager Percy Galloway reminded.

Administrative change is announced

Operation of the Marshall University Registrar's Office is being placed under the administrative supervision of the Office of Student Affairs. The operation formerly was supervised by the Office of Academic Affairs.

Announcement of the administrative realignment was made Thursday by Dr. William K. Easley, vice president for academic affairs, and by Dr. Richard G. Mund, vice president for student affairs.

Factors cited for the administrative change include establishment of a unified student data base, improvement in internal transmission of information between offices by centralizing the sources, and simplification of the records-

keeping process.

"This will bring under one umbrella the closely-allied functions of admissions, record-keeping and financial aid," Mund commented. The Admissions Office and the Financial Aid Office are administered by the Office of Student Affairs.

"The improved data base which can result through this operation will provide the academic sector with more useful data for planning and for advising students," Easley said. He added that his assistant, Ernest W. Cole, will continue to serve as liaison for academic functions with the Registrar's Office.

The change will not require additional personnel and it may eventually result in a reduction of costs, Easley and Mund said.

Committee reports

Following is a summary of the Jan. 24 meeting of the Academic Planning and Standards Committee, as reported by Dr. Robert P. Alexander, chairman. Committee actions are submitted to the president as recommendations.

At the Academic Planning and Standards meeting on January 24, 1974, the committee approved Stage One of the Sub-Committee Report on Computer Science Education. Stage One recommended certain basic computer science courses.

The committee also approved certain catalog changes in the College of Arts & Sciences relating to minor fields of study and utilization of Science 109-110 to meet certain basic science requirements.

PF&P Committee actions reported

Following is a summary of the Jan. 24 meeting of the Physical Facilities and Planning Committee, as reported by Dr. Sara E. Anderson, secretary. Committee actions are submitted to the president as recommendations.

A letter from President Barker concerning the need for guidelines for evaluating proposals and location of statuary, class gifts and memorials of various types was read. The committee agreed that a subcommittee should be appointed to make recommendations to the committee for further consideration. Chairman Howard Mills appointed the following subcommittee to report at the next meeting of the committee: Mr. Soto, chairman, and Dr. Blankenship and Mr. Bruni.

Letters from Dr. Hicks and Dr. Railey requesting the space formerly occupied by the Health Center in Gullickson Hall were read and discussed. A motion was approved asking Dr. Hicks and Dr. Railey to attend the next meeting of the committee (Feb. 5 at 11 a.m.) and to present requests for the space in terms of the total long-term needs of the Physical Education program. Other requests for this space formerly assigned to the Health Center may be sent to Secretary Sara E. Anderson before Feb. 4.

RCU MOVES TO PRICHARD

The Research Coordinating Unit has moved from 1636 Fifth Ave. to the second floor of newly-renovated Prichard Hall. Director Glenn Smith's office is located in Room 223; Hunter Gibson, research specialist, Room 221, and the Educational Resource Informational Center Library is located in Room 218.

Guitarist here

Guitarist Carlos Barbosa-Lima will present a concert of classical guitar music at Marshall University Tuesday, Feb. 5.

Appearing on the Marshall Artists Series, Convocation Series, at 11 a.m. in Old Main Auditorium, Barbosa-Lima will perform compositions by Handel, J.S. Bach, Grieg, and Scarlatti, along with modern works by Albert Harris, John Duarte, Francisco Mignone, and Joaquin Turina. Admission is free.

Library is TV topic

The "Campus Scene 1974" television program to be broadcast tonight by WMUL-TV, Channel 33, features Marshall's James E. Morrow Library. Participating in the program are Dr. Kenneth Slack, director of libraries, and Dr. Bradford DeVos and Dr. Robert Gerke, members of the Library Advisory Committee. President John G. Barker is host for the program and WMUL-TV General Manager T. M. Hollinger is moderator. Air time is 8:30 p.m.

Students excused

The following students were excused from classes Thursday, Jan. 17, to perform as members of the Marshall Jazz Ensemble for Portsmouth (Ohio) high schools. They also were excused Thursday morning, Jan. 24, to participate in the Marshall Jazz Festival.

McHenry Ellis, Steve Ensco, Don Gaston, Sharon Jones, Vernon Varnum, Rod Berry, Bill Rainey, Jay Wolfe, John Bane, Nancy Benton, D. J. Graziani, Bob Leete, Mike Lockney, Rick Tiller, David Waybright, David King, Ron Smith, Terry Roush, Denvil Chandler, Dickson Rothwell and Larry Weaver.

The following students were excused from classes Friday, Jan. 25, to play in a basketball game at West Virginia University:

Donna Basham, Brenda Dennis, Kathy Haas, Mary Jane Muth, Barbara Sepcic, Barbara Spitz, Robin Vealey, Sammie Lambert and Jennifer Lawrence.

Excused Tuesday, Jan. 22, to take part in a basketball game at Concord College were:

Brenda Dennis, Mary Jane Muth, Susan Kay Powers, Barbara Sepcic, Barbara Spitz, Gloria Taylor and Robin Vealey.

Volunteers sought

The University Honors Council, in restructuring its membership, wishes to recruit members from all academic units in the university, according to Dr. Larry Ten Harmsel, director of the University Honors Program. Faculty members who are interested in serving on the Honors Council are asked to contact Dr. Ten Harmsel (Old Main 317A) before Feb. 15.

'DEALING' TONIGHT'S FILM

The Magic Theatre film for tonight will be "Dealing: Or the Berkeley-to-Boston Forty Brick Lost Bag Blues." It will be shown at 7:30 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room of Memorial Student Center. Admission is free upon presentation of ID card.

The Cinema Arts Committee will present "One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich" Wednesday, Feb. 6, at 9 p.m. in the Student Center's Multi-Purpose Room. Admission is by ID card or guest pass from the Student Center information desk.