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Approximately 300 Marshall University faculty, staff and students attended the silent vigil held Monday, Feb. 6, to show their concern for the severe budgetary problems facing higher education in West Virginia. Similar ceremonies were held throughout the state.

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MU enrollment sets another record

Another Marshall University enrollment record has been shattered.

Preliminary second-semester figures released today by Registrar Robert H. Eddins show an enrollment of 11,197, or a 5 percent increase over the second semester last year.

Dr. Roberts appointed chairman of accounting

Dr. Clyde A. Roberts has been appointed chairman of the Department of Accounting in Marshall University's College of Business, Dean Robert P. Alexander announced today.

A native of Huntington, Dr. Roberts received his A.B. degree in economics in 1973 and his M.B.A. in finance in 1974, both from Marshall, and his D.B.A. in accounting from the University of Kentucky. He also studied engineering science at Marshall for two years.

A certified public accountant, Roberts taught accounting at the University of North Florida for two years and at the University of Kentucky for one year. He taught finance at Marshall for two years.

Roberts served as research director of Group 2000, Inc., an industrial development organization which eventually merged with the Huntington Area Chamber of Commerce.

It's the first time Marshall has exceeded 11,000 students in its second semester enrollment, Eddins noted. The previous record was 10,651, last year.

Marshall's first semester enrollment for this academic year was 12,348, also a record. Eddins noted that second-semester enrollments invariably are smaller than first-semester enrollments.

"We're very pleased with the enrollment figures," MU President Dale F. Nitzschke said. "Since the increases are at all levels, and since we enroll very few new students for the second semester, these figures indicate we may be doing a better job in retaining our students, in helping them meet the challenges of higher education."

Nitzschke praised the Marshall faculty for its role. "Financially, this has been a very difficult year for higher education in West Virginia, and particularly Marshall University," Nitzschke said. "Yet, the faculty has taken on extra burdens and has worked very hard to properly serve our students. I believe this sense of dedication is reflected in the second-semester enrollment figures."

Marshall's Graduate School enrollment for the current semester is 11 percent higher than it was during the second semester last year. Other increases: Freshmen, 6.2 percent; sophomores, 4.1 percent; juniors, 19.8 percent; seniors, 10 percent.

Full-time enrollment shows a 5.2 percent increase and part-time a 4.8 percent increase for an overall increase of 5.1 percent.

MU Senate approves recommendations

(The following report on recommendations made to the Marshall University Faculty Senate during its Jan. 26 meeting was submitted by Rainey Duke, president.)

Athletic Committee

May 4, 1988 (received Nov. 3, 1988):

A motion was introduced that the committee accept and approve the budget as recommended by the subcommittee. The document is available in the Senate Office.

Executive Committee

Jan. 17, 1989:

1. The Registrar's Office shall institute a form similar to the one used by the Student Center for booking the Eighth Floor of Smith Hall, including a statement that the sponsoring group is responsible for cleaning up after use.

2. A liaison senator shall be added to the University Calendar Committee.

3. It is recommended that the report of the Committee to Study Student Fees be reviewed and commented upon by the senate before it goes to the president for final approval.

Faculty Senate

Jan. 26, 1988:

1. The Faculty Senate approves suggestion "A" only from Page 3 of the president's letter concerning summer school.

2. The original Summer School Committee shall be reconstituted, and they shall begin the process of discussion on the disapproved motion.

3. The disapproved motion about The Parthenon adviser shall be returned to the Publications Committee for reworking.

4. The Faculty Senate accepts the report of the Committee to Study Student Fees.

Graduate Committee

Nov. 14, 1988 (received Dec. 2, 1988):

1. Graduate Student Policies:

A. Transfer Students: Since Marshall University graduate students are expected to maintain a 3.0 GPA to be considered "in good standing," students who have begun their graduate work at another accredited institution will also need a 3.0 GPA or better to be fully admitted on a transfer basis.

The Admissions Office may grant provisional status to transfer students who have compiled less than a 3.0 GPA. However, Marshall University shall not admit those graduate students applying for a degree program whose records indicate they are incapable of doing satisfactory graduate level work (less than a 2.0 GPA having attempted 12 or more hours of graduate work).

The effect of this policy shall be to discourage students who have done poorly elsewhere from transferring to Marshall University in the hope they can retain a few academically creditable graduate honors while being "forgiven" a slew of standard grades.

For transfer students applying with graduate GPAs between 2 and 2.99 on less than 12 hours, the Admissions Office and the graduate dean will evaluate each on an individual basis.

All transfer students within the 2 to 2.99 range will remain "provisionally" admitted until they have completed 12 Marshall hours with a 3.0 GPA. As in the case with all other Marshall University students, they will need at least a 3.0 GPA to be admitted to candidacy.

B. Letter Grade Interpretation: The following system of grades and quality points is used within the institution:

For achievement of distinction—Four quality points are earned for each semester hour with a grade of A.

For competent and acceptable work—Three quality points are earned for each semester hour with a grade of B.

For below average performance—Two quality points are earned for each semester hour with a grade of C. No more than six hours of C may be applied toward a degree.

For patently substandard work—One quality point is earned for each semester hour with a grade of D. No grade of D may be applied toward a degree.

Failure, given for unsatisfactory work—No quality points.

C. Transient Students: Visiting graduate students who are duly enrolled at another accredited institution may, upon submission of an application and a letter of good standing from their home university, enroll for Marshall University graduate course work. A "Temporary Admit" form, supplied by the Admissions Office, makes a student eligible for one semester of enrollment only.

D. Repeating Courses: With the approval of the appropriate department chair, a student may repeat a course provided he/she re-registers for the course and pays the appropriate tuition and fees. All courses remain on the permanent record and are computed in the final grade point average. Repeated courses may not be counted twice toward fulfillment of graduation requirements.

2. The date for submission of recertification for graduate faculty membership to the Graduate Committee is April 1, 1989. This is required for anyone wanting full graduate faculty status who has not been approved under the new guidelines and anyone requiring associate status who has not been approved in the last two years.

Graduate Committee

Nov. 28, 1988 (received Dec. 9, 1988):

1. Changes in the Master of Science graduate program in the Department of Family and Community Health, School of Medicine:

A. To offer both a non-thesis track (new) requiring 36 credit hours and thesis track (currently 34 hours) for 32 total credit hours.

B. To initiate a request to add the courses "Special Topics in Community Health I" and "Special Topics in Community Health II," to be offered on demand.

C. To expand the entrance requirements of the program to read: "Applicants must be a physician or health care professional with an undergraduate degree in health administration or in a health related area."

2. To accept the course description for CHM 520, Fundamentals of Chemistry, to be "An introductory chemistry course for graduate teacher's college students."

3. Graduate course approvals for additions, changes and deletions for courses in the colleges of Education, Fine Arts and Liberal Arts.

Physical Facilities and Planning Committee

Nov. 30, 1988 (received Dec. 9, 1988):

1. It was moved and seconded that a request to the City of Huntington to pave 2½ Alley from Hal Greer Boulevard to 18th Street.

Summer study tour of Italy planned

Marshall University and West Liberty State College will sponsor a summer study tour to Italy for area college students and residents June 13 through July 3, according to Dr. Clair W. Matz, director of Marshall University's Center for International Studies.

"Although the tour is designed primarily for college students and includes college credit courses, it offers the general public an opportunity to see Italy in depth, with the knowledgeable commentary of faculty members from Marshall and West Liberty," said Matz.

Courses scheduled during the tour include "Drawing the Italian Landscape," "Masterpieces of Italian Art," "Visions of Italy: Shakespeare, Shelly and Others," and

Summer term classes will be held in Spain

Marshall University's Department of Modern Languages will sponsor a five-week summer term in Spain from May 30 to July 2, according to Dr. Clair W. Matz, director of Marshall's Center for International Studies.

Students will live with Spanish families and study at University Nebriensis in Madrid. University Nebriensis is a relatively new small university which has developed a cooperative relationship with Marshall.

Dr. Maria Carmen Riddel, assistant professor of Spanish, will lead the group which will study all levels of Spanish.

Students will be able to enroll in courses equivalent to any Spanish class at Marshall and receive full credit, according to Dr. Riddel.

"What better way is there to learn a language than by visiting a foreign country and being immersed in their language and culture," said Dr. Riddel.

The group will depart from New York May 30 and return July 2, which roughly corresponds with Marshall's first term of summer school.

The cost of the trip will be \$2,000 from New York. The deadline for applications will be March 1 and fees must be paid by May 1.

Persons who wish to remain in Europe after July 2 may do so by making arrangements prior to the trip.

To obtain further details contact Dr. Maria Carmen Riddel, Marshall University Department of Modern Languages, 696-6730.

Petteys will perform

Dr. M. Leslie Petteys, assistant professor of music, will present a lecture/recital on Monday, Feb. 13, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

Her presentation will focus on the historical conditions that faced women composers in the 19th and 20th centuries.

Featured during the presentation will be the works of Clara Schumann, Amy Marcy Beach, Julie Rive-King, Ruth Crawford Seeger, Joan Tower and Grazyna Bacewicz.

Dr. Petteys also will present a lecture/recital at the Graduate Center of the City University of New York City Feb. 24.

"Contemporary Italian Culture."

Undergraduate and graduate credit will be available for the academic courses, which will be taught by professors Karen Rychlewski and Philip H. Adkins of West Liberty and Joan F. Adkins of Marshall.

Ms. Rychlewski of the West Liberty Art Department has traveled throughout Italy and will serve as tour leader.

Participants will depart from New York City June 13 and fly to Milan in northern Italy for two days. The group will spend four days in Venice, seven days in Florence and six days in Rome before returning.

The group will have a private bus for use during the entire tour, which will include visits to Verona, Padua, Ravenna, Pisa, Lucca, Orvieto and other points of interest that may be added upon the request of the instructors or participants.

Several sightseeing tours have been planned along with other activities such as visiting St. Peter's Square to see the pope.

"This tour will offer an educational, informative and fun filled three weeks in Italy for students, teachers and others looking for an alternative to commercial tours," Matz said. "We will see a variety of important and interesting scenic and cultural sites with time in each city to relax and enjoy the Italian lifestyle, cuisine and ambiance."

The cost of the tour will be approximately \$2,150 per person from New York, plus tuition for the college credit courses. The registration deadline for the tour will be March 1.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Center for International Studies, 696-2465, or Karen Rychlewski at West Liberty State College, 336-8264.

Society raising funds

The 1989 pledge class of Marshall University's chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa national leadership honorary will sponsor a Rock-a-Thon on Wednesday, Feb. 15, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. in Memorial Student Center.

Proceeds from the event will be used for improvements and furnishings for Marshall's Career Planning and Placement Center, according to Kim Eby, chairwoman of the event.

Participants will obtain sponsors who will donate a certain amount of money for each hour individual participants rock.

Donations also will be accepted from students, community members and Marshall faculty and staff during the event.

Persons interested in being sponsors or making contributions should contact Kim Eby, 523-8579.

Carnegie report in library

A copy of the Carnegie Foundation report, "Building for a New Century: Higher Education in West Virginia," is available in the Reserve Section of James E. Morrow Library, according to Josephine Fidler, interim director of libraries.

Vacancies filled by MU Staff Council

(The following report on the Jan. 19 meeting of the Marshall University Staff Council was submitted by Zanna Crager, secretary.)

Members present were: Mike Adkins, Panda Benford, Thelma Blake, Linda Bondurant, Ruth Carter, Roberta Chenoweth, Edna Cole, Zanna Crager, Charles Edwards, Sharon France, Barbara James, Edna Justice, Gina Kates, Bill Lewis, Donna Mohr, Rowena Napier, Elizabeth Nickell, Sherri Noble, Mark Rhodes, Jane Vickers, Debbie Whitt, Ruth Workman and Martha Deel.

Members absent were: Belinda Callicoat, Jill Chapman, Charlotte Hardin, Sheila Myers, Christine Qualls.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Vacancies:

Martha Deel was recommended to fill the term of Gloria Rickman, Financial Affairs, professional category. The motion was approved.

Nora Hensley was recommended by Ruth Carter to fill her term which expires this spring. The motion was approved.

The Executive Committee recommended to the council

Theatre will present 'A Comedy of Errors'

The Marshall University Theatre will present Shakespeare's "A Comedy of Errors" Wednesday through Saturday, Feb. 15-18, at 8 p.m. each day in Old Main Auditorium.

Directed by Marshall alumnus David Cook, the classic farce is one of Shakespeare's shortest plays and one of his most popular.

The play follows the exploits of two sets of identical twins who were separated as children by a shipwreck and are reunited as adults.

General admission tickets will be \$4. Marshall students with valid identification and activity cards will be admitted free.

To obtain further details or reserve tickets contact the Marshall University Theatre Box Office, 696-2787.

Self-Care program set

Marshall University's Office of Student Health Education Programs will sponsor a Self-Care Seminar titled "Cholesterol: Heart and Hard Facts" on Tuesday, Feb. 14, at 12:30 p.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2W37.

To obtain further details contact the Office of Student Health Education Programs, 696-4800.

Senate will meet Feb. 23

The Marshall University Faculty Senate will meet Thursday, Feb. 23, at 4 p.m. in the Eighth Floor Lounge in Smith Hall, according to Dr. Rainey Duke, Faculty Senate president.

that Cal Stephenson's seat be declared vacant due to six consecutive absences. The motion was approved with one abstention. Bill Lewis will try to find a replacement.

Election of Vice President:

Due to the resignation of Gloria Rickman, the seat of vice president is vacant. Nominations were called for and Rowena Napier nominated Donna Mohr. Being no further nominations, the nominations were closed and Ms. Mohr elected by acclamation.

Vacancies on Standing Committees:

Also due to the resignation of Ms. Rickman, the co-chair of the Election Committee is vacant. Rowena Napier, the other co-chair, recommended Mike Adkins, who was approved by voice vote.

The Discount Committee is without a chair due to Ms. Rickman's resignation. Roberta Chenoweth was elected to serve as interim chair.

Sherri Noble announced that Leonard Lovely had requested to be a member of the Constitution Committee which she chairs. The council approved his appointment to the committee.

Standing Committee Reports:

Educational Benefits Committee—Gina Kates, chair, reported that 13 in-state waivers were awarded for the spring semester and only one out-of-state waiver. There is financial assistance money left, which is a concern. For some unknown reason, the employees are not applying for assistance. The committee is investigating ways to better acquaint the employees of the education benefits available to them.

Legislative Affairs Committee—Jane Vickers, co-chair, reported that a silent vigil was to be held Feb. 6 to attract attention to the plight of higher education in the state. The committee is sending letters to legislators. Jill Chapman, co-chair, has sent a letter along with an informational booklet to the legislators. It is hoped copies of the booklet can be obtained for council members.

Personnel Committee—Mark Rhodes, chair, reported the committee had met once and the minutes were being processed. They will meet again in February.

Membership Committee—Debbie Whitt, chair, reported minutes will be generated showing the recommended changes.

Staff Training and Development Committee—Sharon France agreed to represent council on this committee which is chaired by Nicole Norian, assistant director of personnel and human resources.

Athletic Ticket Policy Committee—Edna Justice reported another meeting is to be held and the committee is seeking clarification of "immediate staff."

Layoff Policy:

The status of the Layoff Policy was briefly discussed and Barbara James is to check on the progress of getting the policy approved. It was the consensus of the committee that this policy was the best that could be obtained for the employees.

Announcements:

Barbara James announced the Higher Education Committee of the West Virginia Legislature, scheduled to visit Marshall Jan. 25, will not visit at all this year. The Jan. 25 meeting was cancelled due to the special session of the Legislature called by the governor.

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Legislative reception won't be held

Marshall University's annual reception for members of the West Virginia Legislature has been canceled for 1989, according to MU President Dale F. Nitzschke. He said the university can't afford it this year.

The reception had been scheduled for Feb. 21 in Charleston's Marriott Hotel under sponsorship of the Marshall Alumni Association, the Greater Kanawha Valley Alumni Chapter and the Autism Training Center.

"We like to have the reception each year to show our appreciation to the legislators for their efforts in our

'MU Report' will be broadcast on Sundays

The 1989 edition of "MU Report," a public television series produced by the Marshall University School of Journalism, will begin Sunday, Feb. 12, at 10 a.m. on WPBY channel 33.

Programs featuring various reports about the university will be broadcast each Sunday morning from Feb. 12 through April 30, according to Dwight Jensen, acting director of the School of Journalism, who will serve as executive producer of the series.

Student reporters will present segments on Marshall's budget requests and financial problems, sports, the bicentennial of the Bill of Rights, a feature on long distance love for Valentine's Day, and special programs for minority students, foreign students and women, along with various other subjects relating to Marshall University.

Several university departments are assisting in the production of the series, including the Department of Music, which provided specially arranged theme music.

The magazine format programs will be produced and presented by School of Journalism students under the supervision of journalism faculty members.

To obtain further details about "MU Report" contact Jensen at Marshall University's School of Journalism, 696-2360.

Women's health series set

The Marshall University Women's Center will sponsor a series of four women's health seminars on Thursdays, beginning Feb. 16, at 3 p.m. in Prichard Hall Room 143, according to Donnalee Cockrille, coordinator of women's programs at Marshall.

Programs will be presented on "Contraceptives," "Eating Disorders," "Women's Rights and AIDS," and "Substance Awareness."

The programs will be open to the public free of charge. To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Women's Center, 696-3112.

Executive Committee to meet

The Marshall University Faculty Senate Executive Committee will meet Tuesday, Feb. 14, at 3 p.m. in the Faculty Senate Office, according to Dr. Rainey Duke, president of the Faculty Senate.

behalf and to get to know the individual senators and delegates a little better," Nitzschke said. "Unfortunately, we're going to have to thank them in a different way this year."

Already beset by budget problems and a burgeoning enrollment, Marshall is trying to cope with an additional \$928,000 cut to meet a recent statewide budget reduction.

"We simply can't afford to do 'business as usual' this year," Nitzschke said. "While we understand the state's financial problems and fully support the governor's initiatives, we're going to find it very difficult just to get through this fiscal year."

Vice President for Institutional Advancement Keith L. Scott said the Alumni Association's executive committee had endorsed the decision to cancel the reception.

Samuels will perform and instruct classes

Vibraphonist and percussionist David Samuels will present a series of clinics, classes and demonstrations for students and the general public on Monday, Feb. 13, in the Marshall University Department of Music, according to Dr. Ben F. Miller, associate professor of music.

Samuels currently tours with the jazz-fusion group Spyro Gyra. He studied at Berkeley School of Music, Boston, with Gary Burton.

A childhood classmate of Miller, Samuels has been a studio recording artist in New York and has performed with Frank Zappa and Gerry Mulligan.

Samuels will perform with the Bob Thompson Trio at the Capitol Theater in Charleston on Feb. 14.

To obtain further details about Samuel's performances at Marshall contact Miller, 696-2377.

'Campus Connection' cut

Budget constraints have resulted in the temporary reduction in the length of the "Campus Connection" newsletter, according to Nicole A. Norian, assistant director of human resources.

The full 10-page edition will be available via the VAX.

To obtain information concerning any of the articles or training programs and workshops contact Ms. Norian, 696-2594.

Participation appreciated

We estimate that approximately 300 faculty, staff and students attended the silent vigil, with three television stations, several radio stations and newspapers around the state covering the successful event.

Thanks so much for your participation. Keep your eyes and ears open for more activities from the Faculty Legislative Affairs Committee asking for your participation.

Virginia Plumley, chair
Faculty Legislative Affairs Committee

University Library Committee meets

(The following report on the Jan. 27 meeting of the Marshall University Library Committee was submitted by Sara B. Staats, secretary.)

The Faculty Library Committee met Friday, Jan. 27, at 1 p.m. with eight members present and six members absent.

Interim Library Director Josephine Fidler reported on the status of personnel. It is hoped that four technical positions and a professional position can be filled in the near future.

During the five-day closing, all staff members worked to reshelve books and achieved a very good state of order

Programs will focus on single women's topics

The Marshall University Women's Center will sponsor a series of four seminars for single women on Tuesdays, beginning Feb. 7, at 3 p.m. in Prichard Hall Room 143, according to Donnalee Cockrille, coordinator of women's programs at Marshall.

The Single Women Series will include programs on "Identity and Self-Esteem," "Changing the Structure of Intimate Relationships," "Assertiveness in Communication," and "Dealing With Anger."

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Women's Center, 696-3112.

Personnel Personal

Marsha Steffen Smith, daughter of Ruby Steffen of Marshall University's Graduate School, has two students, Carrie DeJarnett and Kelly Lange, that qualified as Junior Elites for the U.S. Gymnastics Federation during competition held recently in Cincinnati.

By being named Junior Elites, the students will participate in an upcoming zone meet from which the top 24 gymnasts will be selected for the U.S. National Team. Ms. Smith is owner of the Barboursville Gymnastics Factory and teaches the girls beam and floor routines.

There have been only two elites chosen from West Virginia, the last being Mary Lou Retton.

Lunchbag seminar set

The Marshall University Women's Center will sponsor a special Susan B. Anthony Celebration for its regularly scheduled lunchbag seminar on Wednesday, Feb. 15, from noon to 1 p.m. in Prichard Hall Room 143.

To obtain further details contact the Women's Center, 696-3112.

Vending prize winner named

Carl Brooks, a junior from Huntington, was the recipient of the vending promotional prize for January.

He received a Black & Decker cordless vacuum, according to Karen E. Kirtley, project assistant for the Auxiliary Services Office.

for the opening of the spring semester.

Operating hours have been reduced to the level of summer hours because of the lack of circulation staff. Staff members from other library departments are servicing the circulation desk until a new staff can be hired and trained.

Money was made available by MU President Dale F. Nitzschke before the freeze to replace worn carpet on the first floor. Through a generous gift from former Vice President for Academic Affairs Carol A. Smith, seven new user terminals, an HP printer, a CD ROM machine and the ERIC Database software have been purchased.

The committee voted to request the provost, the president and the Faculty Senate to re-examine the disposition of the James Wall Geology Collection and try to find a new location for it, other than the second floor lounge/reading room.

Ed Dzierzak, director of the Health Sciences Library, reported on the state of the library. He said it is very underfunded and very limited in space and number of volumes.

The committee recommended that the relationship between the director of libraries and the director of the Health Sciences Library be clarified and a formal agreement be worked out between them and the appropriate authorities.

The committee's next meeting will be held Feb. 24 at 1 p.m.

Excused absences...

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

JAN. 27-29—Joyce Merritt, Maribeth Brooks, Maureen Mack, Pam Kohl, Marti Leach, Kendra Samson, Cindy Stout, Andi Nance, Kristy Stratton, Tim Dolin, Mike Adkins, Ron King and Pete Plybon.

FEB. 2-4—Men's Track Team.

FEB. 2-6—Women's Basketball Team.

FEB. 7—Chris Cobb, Tom Roten, Sally Spoor, Todd Thompson, Tracey Basham, Michelle Twohig, Kim Jefferson, Jennifer Scott, Kristy Stratton, Scott Brun, Randy Comm.

FEB. 9—Tom Roten, Chris Cobb, Derek Scott, Chuck Richardson, Todd Agne, Larry Frum, Jay Nunley.

FEB. 14—Bill France, Christine Miller, Teresa Plumley, Charles Richardson, Sherri Richmond, Thomas Taylor, Suzanna Zegeer.

Supervisor data wanted

Nicole A. Norian, assistant director of human resources, is seeking information pertaining to supervisory personnel for a workshop on Supervisory Skills Training to be presented in March.

She would like to have opinions about who is the best supervisor on campus and what makes him/her a good supervisor, and information on what makes a good supervisor.

Information may be sent to Nicole A. Norian, Old Main 207.