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NEWSLETTER

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Professor of Year nominations sought

The Faculty Merit Foundation of West Virginia is accepting applications for its \$10,000 Professor of the Year cash award, according to a spokesman for the group.

The annual award recognizes an outstanding professor from a West Virginia college or university based on his/her teaching experience, academic credentials, community service and interaction with students. The foundation also recognizes and rewards outstanding innovation and creativity in teaching and professional leadership.

Applications for the award are available in the Marshall

University Provost's Office. The deadline for applications will be Oct. 2.

Applicants may be nominated by their peers, students, or themselves. Nominees will be narrowed to a group of less than 10 by the Faculty Merit Foundation board. From that group, the board will select the winner and two runners-up. Each runner-up will receive a cash award of \$1,000.

Selection of the Professor of the Year will be made by Nov. 1. The award will be presented at the annual Faculty Merit Foundation Banquet in December.

Comprehensive and specific information must be presented on the candidates proposed by the nominators. The foundation board screens and selects finalists on the basis of the information presented, other input secured independently and interviews.

The foundation, through the application of contributed funds, undertakes projects and activities calculated to encourage and develop the highest possible faculty performance in the 25 public and private colleges and universities in West Virginia.

Elaine Baker, professor of psychology at Marshall, previously was selected as a runner-up for the award which has been presented since 1985.

Edwards is appointed Marshall CRP director

William A. Edwards, formerly director of Marshall University's Center for Education and Research with Industry, has been named director of the university's Center for Regional Progress, according to Dr. Robert F. Maddox, executive assistant to the president for research and economic development outreach at MU.



William Edwards

"Will Edwards has proven to be a great asset to our office," Maddox said. "He brings a unique blend of experience in economic development, higher education, state government, and private industry to his new position, which will enhance our abilities to forge the partnership necessary to make positive change in West Virginia."

"Under his direction the Center for Education and Research with Industry, one of 12 outreach programs within Marshall's Center for Research and Economic Development, received national attention. I am sure he will continue to operate the Center for Regional Progress with the same skill and enthusiasm."

The Center for Regional Progress was established in 1984 as an avenue through which Marshall University could provide counseling and technical assistance to business, industry, local governments and community agencies. Primarily concerned with the creation and retention of jobs, the program has had a strong and positive effect on economic and community development in West Virginia, according to Maddox.

"I am excited about the opportunities and challenges being director of the Center for Regional Progress offers," said Edwards. "I am looking forward to being

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Trade Fair scheduled

Marshall University's third annual Trade Fair will be held Monday, Oct. 2, from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Tuesday, Oct. 3, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Memorial Student Center.

The fair will feature approximately 100 exhibits from regional businesses offering the latest equipment, software and services, a full program of seminars and "A Taste of Huntington" in which area restaurants and food services will offer samples of their specialties, according to William J. Shondel, director of purchasing and materials management at Marshall.

Seminars scheduled Oct. 2 include:

— "Buying Computers for Yourself or Your Business" at 11 a.m. in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge.

— "Protecting Your Child from Child Abuse" at 1 p.m. in the Alumni Lounge.

— "SARA Title III: Community Right to Know Act" at 2 p.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2W22.

— "Desktop Publishing and What Your Computer Can Do for You" at 2 p.m. in the Alumni Lounge.

— "Time Management" at 3 p.m. in the Alumni Lounge.

Seminars scheduled Oct. 3 in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge include:

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Rahall to discuss Middle East peace

West Virginia Congressman Nick J. Rahall II will be one of two keynote speakers at a symposium on the Middle East Tuesday, Sept. 26, at the Charleston House Hotel in Charleston. The symposium, "The Role of American Religious Leaders in the Middle East Peace Process," will

Edwards named director

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a part of what will be a catalyst for change in West Virginia."

Edwards received his bachelor's degree in education and his master's degree in supervision/administration, occupational and adult education from Marshall. He completed post graduate work in technology at West Virginia University where he is working on his doctoral degree in higher education administration.

Prior to accepting a position at Marshall in 1987, Edwards served as assistant to the president at Parkersburg Community College, coordinator of services to business and industry for the West Virginia Department of Education's Bureau of Vocational, Technical and Adult Education and held a number of positions in public school systems and higher education. He also served as adjunct professor at West Virginia University and coordinated and instructed a number of career development, supervisory and adult education programs.

A native of Huntington, Edwards has been involved in a variety of civic and professional organizations including the Putnam County Industrial Development Authority, the Putnam County Health Department, the Putnam County Planning Commission, the Putnam County Museum, the Governor's Office of Community and Industrial Development-Small Business Development Center, the West Virginia Adult Education Association, and the West Virginia Community College Association.

He resides in Teays Valley with his wife, Donna, and daughter, Cathie.

Fellowships available

Mellon Fellowships in the humanities are available to outstanding seniors or recent graduates who plan to begin graduate work in teaching and/or scholarship in a humanistic field of study, according to Dr. Leonard J. Deutsch, dean of the MU Graduate School.

Candidates must be nominated by a professor familiar with their work and academic promise. Eligible fields include art history, archaeology, classics, English literature, history, modern languages and literature, musicology, philosophy, and religious studies.

Stipends for Mellon Fellows entering graduate school in the fall of 1990 will be \$11,500 plus payment of tuition and fees. One hundred of these competitive awards will be made nationwide.

The deadline for application will be Nov. 6.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Graduate School Office, Old Main 113.

bring together West Virginia religious leaders of all faiths to consider how they can contribute toward peace in the Holy Land.

The symposium is being sponsored by Marshall University, the West Virginia Consortium for Faculty and Course Development in International Studies (FACDIS), and the West Virginia Committee of the American-Arab Affairs Council.

Congressman Rahall, who also is chairman of the American-Arab Affairs Council's National Advisory committee, will speak on "Middle East Peace: American Political Perspectives," during the program's luncheon session. Sharing the platform with him will be the Rev. Michael P. Hamilton, canon of the Washington Cathedral, who will discuss "The Religious Need for Peace in the Middle East."

A film, "The Forgotten Faithful: Truth, Justice and Peace," and a panel discussion on "Theological Issues in the Middle East Peace Process," are scheduled for the symposium's morning session. The afternoon will feature another panel discussion, "The Politics of Religion in the Middle East Peace Process."

Religious leaders of all faiths and members of the news media are invited to attend the program, according to Dr. Clair Matz, director of Marshall's Center for International Studies, and Geoffrey D. Schad, director of programming for the American-Arab Affairs Council.

Trade Fair scheduled

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-- "How to do Business with Marshall University" at 8:30 a.m.

-- "First Impressions Count: The Image Your Office Projects" at 10 a.m.

-- "Marketing in the 90s" at 11 a.m.

-- "The Change Factor Inherent in the Success Strategy" at 1 p.m.

-- "Drugs in the Workplace" at 2 p.m.

Shondel said the fair will have something for everyone and he hopes the general public will feel free to attend.

In addition to business and industry representatives, the fair will feature exhibits on such diverse subjects as health and beauty products.

A local radio station will broadcast live from the fair and door prizes will be given away to fair visitors. Tri-State Greyhound Park will have an exhibit featuring a live racing dog from the track.

Shondel said the fair will be open to the general public as well as representatives from business, industry and service organizations.

To obtain further details contact Barbara Smentkowski in Marshall University's Office of Purchasing and Materials Management, 696-3157.

Picnic planned rain or shine

The Marshall University Campus Picnic will be held rain or shine on Friday, Sept. 22 from 3:30 to 7 p.m. In case of rain the activities will be moved into Memorial Student Center.

Yeager assistant director post open

The search for an assistant director for the Marshall University Society of Yeager Scholars has been reopened, according to Dr. William N. Denman, director of the society.

Duties of the assistant director will include coordinating the Mentorship aspects of the program; further developing and operating the evaluation and assessment components of the program; directing the Distinguished Practitioner/Lecturer series, and assisting in the coordination of the Yeager Symposium.

Further duties will include assisting in recruiting;

selecting and admitting Yeager scholars; advising scholars; assisting in evaluating and maintaining curriculum; representing the Yeager program to various publics; serving on the steering committee, and assuming other duties that may be assigned.

The assistant director shall be a half-time administrative position for a member of the faculty, and shall be responsible to the director of the Yeager program.

Qualifications include demonstrated leadership and administrative abilities, an interest in working in an interdisciplinary program, and the ability to cooperatively work with faculty, students and administrative supervisors. A terminal degree and at least three years of university teaching experience are preferred.

The position will provide employment during the month of August each year. The department employing the assistant director shall receive funds to employ release-time replacements for the assistant director.

The position will be available during the 1990 spring semester.

A letter of application, resume and the names of three references should be submitted to the office of the director of the Society of Yeager Scholars, Old Main 231, by Oct. 16.

MU waivers available

Applications for a limited number of graduate student tuition waivers for Marshall University's spring semester will be accepted through Friday, Dec. 1, in the Graduate School Office, Old Main 113, according to Dr. Leonard J. Deutsch, Graduate School dean.

In line with the West Virginia Board of Trustees Policy Bulletin 49, priority will be given to faculty and staff of the state's colleges and universities and to West Virginia residents. A small number of waivers will be awarded to nonresident students.

Deutsch said academic merit will be the major consideration in awarding the waivers, which cover tuition, registration and Higher Education and Faculty Improvement fees. Student Activity fees must be paid by the recipient.

Up to three hours of waivers for graduate course work will be awarded to qualified applicants.

Students interested in being considered for a Board of Trustees tuition waiver based on financial need criteria should contact the Graduate School for the proper application procedure.

Students who previously held waivers must reapply to be considered for spring.

Approved waivers may be picked up starting Tuesday, Dec. 5. Any awarded waivers not claimed by Dec. 15 will be assigned to other qualified applicants.

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

Columnist will speak

DeWayne Wickham, columnist for USA Today and the Gannett News Service, will be the keynote speaker for the second annual Conference on West Virginia's Black History at Marshall University.

Wickham will make his keynote address on Friday, Sept. 22, during a banquet at 7 p.m. in the Shawkey Room in Memorial Student Center. There will be a \$10 charge for those who wish to have dinner.

Wickham has been a journalist for 15 years. He has worked as a copy editor for the Richmond Times Dispatch, a reporter for the Baltimore Sun and Evening Sun, and as a Capitol Hill correspondent for U.S. News and World Report.

He also has been a contributing editor to Black Enterprise magazine. For six years, he was host of Urban Scene, a half-hour news magazine program which aired on WBAL-TV, the CBS affiliate in Baltimore.

To obtain further details contact Kenneth E. Blue at Marshall University, 696-5430.

Videoconference set

A videoconference titled "Moving Toward the 21st Century" will be presented at Marshall University Wednesday, Sept. 27, in the Shawkey Room in Memorial Student Center, according to Dr. Rainey Duke, assistant provost at Marshall.

This presentation will be the first of four videoconferences in the package "Today in Education," which will be made available to state colleges and universities through funds set aside by the West Virginia Board of Directors and West Virginia Board of Trustees for faculty development.

Marshall officials are hoping to have good attendance and interaction during the videoconference, according to Dr. Duke.

Persons who would like to attend the presentation should RSVP to the MU Provost's Office, 696-5442.

Stella Britton dies

Mrs. Stella Blanche Britton, 82, of Huntington, wife of Marshall University Professor Emeritus Robert L. Britton, died Tuesday, Sept. 12, in Cabell Huntington Hospital.

She was the owner of the Treasure Loft Gift Shop.

Also surviving are one daughter, Janel B. Hollingsworth of Grass Valley, Calif.; and two sons, David C. Britton of Huntington and Gerald R. Britton of Smyrna, Ga.

The funeral was held Sept. 14 at St. John's Episcopal Church. Burial was in White Chapel Memorial Gardens, Barboursville.

Marshall faculty/staff achievements

Dr. BARBARA P. GUYER, professor of special education and director of H.E.L.P. at Marshall University, has had an article titled "The Effectiveness of a Multisensory Alphabetic Phonetic Approach With College Students Who Are Learning Disabled" published in the August/September issue of the Journal of Learning Disabilities. Her co-author was Dr. David Sabatino from Ohio State University.

VICKIE CRAGER, administrative aide II in the Depart-

MU psychology clinic offers several services

Marshall University's Psychology Clinic has opened for the fall semester and will offer a variety of psychological services to the university and community, according to Dr. Marty Amerikaner, clinic director.

Services are available for psychological and interpersonal problems, including depression, anxiety, stress, marital and family problems, relationship concerns, and difficulties with children's behavior and learning.

Psychological evaluations are available and group programs on various subjects will be offered periodically.

Clinicians are advanced graduate students who work under the close supervision of psychology faculty members.

There will be a \$20 fee per one-hour therapy session and a \$50 fee for psychological evaluations. Marshall students, faculty and staff will receive a 50 percent discount.

The clinic is located on the Marshall campus in Harris Hall Room 449.

To make an appointment or obtain further details contact Dr. Amerikaner, 696-2783, or the MU Psychology Department, 696-6446.

Wellness Walk planned

Marshall University's offices of Student Health Education Programs and Recreational Sports and Fitness Activities will sponsor a Wellness Walk and Fair on the Memorial Student Center Plaza Wednesday, Sept. 27, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Participants will be able to take part in the Wellness Walk around the MU campus and a variety of wellness activities free of charge, according to Carla Lapelle, coordinator of student health education programs.

Other activities will include free blood pressure checks, body composition estimates and samples of healthy foods from Marriott Food Service. Participants also will be able to sign up for Marshall's ongoing Wellness Walk Program and take advantage of other campus and community resources. A number of prizes will be given away during the walk and fair.

The activities will be open to the public. To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Office of Student Health Education Programs, 696-4800, or the Office of Recreational Sports and Fitness Activities, 696-2943.

ment of Biological Sciences, was the pitcher for the 1989 Beavers women's softball team. This season her team placed first in three of five tournaments and won the West Virginia Class C state tournament. Ms. CRAGER was named the most valuable player in the state tournament. Her team competed in the national tournament on Labor Day weekend and had a 2-2 record.

Dr. RONALD MARTINO, associate professor of geology, has had a paper titled "Sedimentology, Ichnology, and Paleoenvironments of the Upper Cretaceous Wenonah and Mt. Laurel Formations, New Jersey" accepted for publication in the January 1990 issue of the Journal of Sedimentary Petrology. He also had a paper titled "Tetrapod Trackways from the Conemaugh Formation (Late Pennsylvanian), Southern West Virginia" accepted for presentation in November at the Geological Society of America national meeting in St. Louis.

BRIAN J. LOSHBOUGH, administrator of Marshall University's Frank E. Hanshaw Sr. Geriatric Center, will participate in the seventh annual National Black Lung Conference Oct. 29-31. He also served on the planning committee for the conference, which will be in Lexington. LOSHBOUGH will be part of a panel discussing benefit rights of coal workers and their families. Before joining the staff of the Hanshaw Geriatric Center last year, he was director of West Virginia's black lung clinics program.

Grad in 'Smithsonian'

A Marshall University School of Medicine graduate practicing in Petersburg was among the physicians quoted and pictured in Smithsonian Magazine this month.

Smithsonian profiled a handful of rural hospitals in an article titled "In America's small-town hospitals, a patient isn't 'just a number.'" Grant Memorial Hospital in Petersburg was among the hospitals featured.

Dr. John Hahn, a member of the Class of 1983 and the hospital's only obstetrician, was among the physicians interviewed by author Richard J. Margolis. Dr. Hahn told Margolis that he delivers 300 babies each year; about two-thirds of his patients are on Medicaid, which covers only about one-third of the bill. "When somebody's down and out, I don't go after the rest of the money. I know what it's like to be poor," he was quoted as saying.

The 13-page article included a photo of Hahn delivering twins by cesarean section.

Med School gets grant

The Marshall University School of Medicine has received a grant from the National Institutes of Health to help purchase a piece of research equipment.

The \$7,202 grant comes from the agency's Small Instrumentation Program, and will be applied toward the purchase of an analyzer which measures calcium levels in living cells. The equipment, which has a total cost of more than \$31,000, will support several School of Medicine research projects.