Board of Trustees will meet on campus Dec. 12-13

The University of West Virginia Board of Trustees will meet at Marshall University Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 12-13.

It will be the new board’s first visit to the Marshall campus as a group, MU President Dale F. Nitzschke said. The board, organized in July under 1989 legislation, oversees operation of Marshall and West Virginia universities, the West Virginia College of Graduate Studies and the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine.

The visit will begin Tuesday at 4 p.m. with a briefing at Marshall’s Center for Research and Economic Development in downtown Huntington, followed by a reception at Nitzschke’s home at 5:30 p.m. and a dinner at the Huntington Museum of Art at 7 p.m.

Wednesday, the board will open a daylong series of meetings in Memorial Student Center with a 7:30 a.m. breakfast with the President’s Cabinet. Board committees will meet in various rooms in the Student Center beginning at 8:30 a.m. At 9:30 a.m., the board will meet (Continued on page 3)

Erickson provides funds for MU alumni center

Charlie O. Erickson of Parkersburg, second from left, presents Marshall University officials a check for $175,000 to complete the purchase of a Marshall alumni center. The gift brought to $325,000 the total Erickson has contributed to enable Marshall to establish an alumni center. From left are MU President Dale F. Nitzschke; Erickson; MU Alumni Association President Bea Orr of Logan; Director of Alumni Affairs Linda Holmes and Vice President for Institutional Advancement Edward G. “Ned” Boehm Jr.

Parkersburg businessman Charlie O. Erickson is an unusual individual. In fact, he may be unique.

At West Virginia University, the Erickson Alumni Center was named in his honor. At Marshall University, a newly-acquired alumni center also will carry his name.

In 1984, Erickson pledged $500,000 toward construction of the alumni center at WVU. Last May, he gave Marshall University $150,000 to initiate an alumni center project. And last week he contributed another $175,000 to enable the Marshall Foundation to complete the purchase of the Kincaid-Mann Mortuary building which will be converted into an alumni center.

“Charlie Erickson is probably the only person in the country who will have alumni centers at the two major universities in a single state bearing his name,” MU President Dale F. Nitzschke noted. “He’s certainly earned that distinction. We at Marshall University are extremely grateful for his interest and support in the development of an alumni center here.”

The building, located at 1731 Fifth Ave., adjacent to the Marshall campus, is expected to be occupied by Feb. 1. University officials are planning a dedication and open (Continued on page 3)

Check distribution set

Paychecks for the period ending Dec. 31 will be distributed from the Payroll Office, Old Main 205, on Friday, Dec. 29, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., according to Sharon Rutherford, supervisor of payroll.

Entry to Old Main will be available from the south entrance adjacent to Northcott Hall.

You should be prepared to show your university identification card in order to pick up your check.

If someone else will be picking up your check, you must notify the Payroll Office in writing prior to Wednesday, Dec. 20.

Checks that are not released on Dec. 29 will be distributed to departments on Tuesday, Jan. 2.

Christmas party scheduled

President and Mrs. Dale F. Nitzschke cordially invite all Marshall University employees, current and retired, and their families to join them for the annual Marshall University Christmas party on Friday, Dec. 15, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the W. Don Morris Room in Memorial Student Center.

A light buffet and entertainment will be provided. Santa Claus will be present and free photographs will be made of children visiting with Santa.
Meet-the-Scholars nominations sought

The Marshall University Meet-the-Scholars Program Committee is currently accepting nominations for the next award, according to Dr. Christopher L. Dolmetsch, chairman of the committee.

An ongoing project, the program is designed to bring distinguished Marshall faculty scholars together with citizens of the Tri-State region. It is meant to acquaint the community with the breadth and depth of academic expertise available on the Marshall campus.

The award will be presented twice each year, during each regular academic semester, to an outstanding Marshall scholar. The following procedures and criteria will be used by the program committee in selecting award recipients.

I. General Guidelines: Announcement of the schedule and criteria for selection will be published in the Marshall University Newsletter at the beginning of the new semester.

Nominations may be made in writing by any faculty member and are to be submitted to the office of the senior vice president by no later than the end of the third week of classes in the semester.

Nominations should include the following credentials: A current vita, brief statement of current research or artistic activity, and one supporting letter from another faculty member in the case of self-nomination.

All materials received will remain active for a period of one year from the date of receipt. If a sufficient number of nominations is not forthcoming, the committee may make its own nominations.

After nominations are submitted and the closing date for nominations has occurred, the committee will reduce the nominations to five, with no more than two people per college or school. The committee may elect in the final stages of deliberation to invite nominees to discuss informally their research or artistic activity.

By the end of the sixth week of the semester, the committee will have reduced the nominations to two people from whom the award recipient will be selected.

All nominees will be kept informed of their status as the deliberations proceed. Any member of the committee may be nominated for this award, but in the event this occurs, the member under consideration will not participate in the committee’s deliberations.

II. Specific Criteria: The following criteria will be applied in the selection of the award recipient:

A. General:

1. The criteria will be weighed in accordance with the professional standards in the particular field.

2. During the course of its deliberations the committee may elect to consult with recognized experts in the nominee’s field.

3. While teaching as a criterion will not be considered for this award, the percentage of time that the nominee spends teaching may be a relevant factor because time left for research/artistic activity may be affected.

4. While the committee will strive to adhere to its stated standards, it may have to consider other factors and exceptions as particular cases arise.

B. Research Criteria:

Specific activities to be considered include: publications—peer-review papers, articles and books; regional, national and international meetings—invited papers and papers presented will carry the most weight, but the chairing of sessions and attendance also are worth noting; professional awards; patents; grants—dollar amounts will be weighed according to the field.

C. Artistic Criteria:

Specific activities to be considered include: composition—literary, musical, choreographic, theatrical and visual arts; performance; directing or conducting; production; design.

Artistic criteria include: publications, exhibitions, performances, broadcasts, published reviews, public and professional recognition, juried competitions, professional awards, fellowships, grants and commissions (with the understanding that these may well be in smaller dollar amounts than those in the sciences).

The deadline for nominations and applications for the spring award will be Monday, Feb. 5, 1990. Award recipients receive a special plaque and a $1,000 cash award from the Marshall University Foundation to be presented at a special evening reception on Tuesday, April 24.

All prospective applicants and nominees are reminded that the selection process may involve an interview to be conducted the weeks of Feb. 12-16, or Feb. 19-23.
Long retiring Feb. 1

Harry E. Long, director of facilities planning and management at Marshall University, has announced his retirement effective Feb. 1, 1990, according to Dr. Edward Grose, vice president for administration at Marshall.

A native of Buffalo, N.Y., Long attended Buffalo Technical High School and the University of Buffalo.

Prior to joining the Marshall staff in 1977 as manager of administrative services, Long worked for Sperry Rand Corporation in Blue Bell, Pa., as national manager of administration. He had worked for Sperry Rand in various capacities since 1949.

He has held several positions at Marshall including director of administrative services, director of plant and administrative operations and director of plant operations.

Long served as president of the Administrative Management Society and the West Virginia Association of Physical Plant Administrators and has been a member of the Association of Physical Plant Administrators. He served in the United States Marine Corps during World War II.

He has been involved in many community activities including Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, United Way, the Town Planning Board, Little League, the Marine Corps League, Catholic Charities and various church activities.

"Marshall University will certainly miss Harry as he chooses to take his retirement," said Grose. "His tireless effort to manage the physical plant operations and improve the appearance of the campus and buildings will be missed by all. I am sure everyone at Marshall would like to wish Harry the very best in his retirement and would like to extend sincere thanks for all that he has accomplished at the university."

Erickson makes donation

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house for Alumni Weekend in late April.

Edward G. "Ned" Boehm Jr., MU vice president for institutional advancement, said the Erickson Alumni Center will signal a major step forward for the Marshall Alumni Association.

"For the first time, our alumni will have a place they can truly call their own," Boehm said. "The Kincaid-Mann building is uniquely suitable in that it provides not only space for the alumni offices, but facilities for events such as receptions and dinners. We're truly excited about this development and we're looking forward to working with our alumni in further improvements to make this an alumni center second to none."

Erickson is president of COE Inc., a Parkersburg-based company with interests in real estate, land development and investment activities. He also has been a pioneer in the cable television industry.

Since moving to Parkersburg in 1959, he has served with many community organizations and is a member of the West Virginia University Foundation. He's also a member of the prestigious John Marshall Society, composed of major supporters of the Marshall University Foundation.

Erickson made his contributions to Marshall in memory of his nephew, Jim Walls, who graduated from MU in 1949.

Videoconference planned

A videoconference titled "Planning for the 1990s: Challenges in International Education" will be presented at Marshall University on Thursday, Jan. 18, from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Shawkey Room in Memorial Student Center.

The conference will feature Ambassador Stephen Lewis, former Canadian ambassador to the United Nations.


Participants will be able to ask questions of the national panelists.

The conference, open free of charge to all faculty, staff and students, is being sponsored by the Center for International Studies and the adviser to Marshall's International Students and Scholars.

To register or obtain further details contact Sheri McGhee, 696-2465.

Trustees to meet here

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with its Advisory Council of Faculty in the Alumni Lounge. Marshall's Institutional Board of Advisors will join the Trustees at noon for a luncheon in the Presidents Dining Room.

Afternoon Board of Trustees sessions, all in the Alumni Lounge, include a 1:30 p.m. meeting with Marshall's Classified Staff Council, a 2:15 p.m. meeting with Student Senate and a 3:35 p.m. meeting with Faculty Senate. A "coffee break" with representatives of the news media is scheduled for 3 p.m. in the Presidents Dining Room.

The board's visit will close with a tour of campus facilities beginning at 4:15 p.m.
COB faculty named research associates

Five Marshall University College of Business faculty members have been appointed as research associates for the university’s Office of Research and Economic Development Outreach, according to Dr. Robert F. Maddox, director of the office.

The faculty research team will consist of Dr. Hamid Chahtiyar, assistant professor in the Computer Science Department; Dr. Earl Z. Damewood, associate professor in the Management Department; Dr. Gregg Emery Davis, assistant professor of economics; Dr. Clyde A. Roberts, associate professor and chairman of accounting, and Dr. David K. Walker, associate professor of computer science.

Team members will work on a number of projects including: Marshall’s “Factory of the Future” in the Institute for Advanced Flexible Manufacturing Systems; a feasibility study for an upgrade of Route 52; a feasibility study for a wood products manufacturing facility; an engineering research center project; an economic impact study for the West Virginia Park Service, and a tourism study on the historic preservation of the General Jenkins home.

“We are pleased to be able to utilize the support and expertise in the College of Business,” said Maddox. “Release time for these faculty members will allow us to rapidly move ahead on a number of fronts.”

Maddox said the research associates were appointed in direct response to Governor Gaston Caperton’s emphasis on higher education forging partnerships with the private sector and delivering basic and applied research and appropriate technologies to industry to improve competitiveness and the West Virginia economy.

“We are excited about the challenges and opportunities facing our office and this team,” Maddox said. “Without question, we can have a positive impact on the state.”

MU students honored

Two Marshall University students have been recognized by the West Virginia Association for Children with Learning Disabilities for the outstanding progress they have made at the university, according to Dr. Barbara P. Guyer, associate professor and director of Marshall’s H.E.L.P. (Higher Education for Learning Problems) Program.

Dan Ray of Walker, a student in Marshall's School of Medicine, and Jim Deakin of Charleston, a junior journalism/broadcasting major, were both honored during the WVACLD annual conference, "Crossing the Mountain," held Nov. 3-4 in Charleston.

Dr. Guyer said the association normally recognizes only one person each year for the achievement award, but declared both students winners because of their outstanding accomplishments in school and their willingness to go out into the community to talk about learning disabilities and help others who have learning disabilities realize they can succeed and achieve their goals in higher education and life.

Both Ray and Deakin have dyslexia, a neurological dysfunction that impairs the ability to read and write, and received assistance through Marshall's H.E.L.P. Program to help them overcome their learning disabilities.

West Virginia Governor Gaston Caperton was the keynote speaker for the conference and made a presentation titled “How I Have Succeeded as a Dyslexic.”

Miller resigns to accept new position

Joe E. Miller, associate vice president for institutional advancement at Marshall University, has been appointed vice president for advancement at the University of Charleston, effective Jan. 2, 1990.

Miller joined the Marshall staff in August, 1988 and coordinated arrangements for launching a $10 million capital funds campaign which now is in progress.

He came to Marshall from Alderson-Broaddus College where he was associate director of development. He also served six years as director of athletics and chairman of the Health and Physical Education Department at Alderson-Broaddus following a 20-year career as a U.S. Marine Corps officer.

An Alderson-Broaddus graduate, Miller was named to the NAIA All-America basketball team in 1956. He served one term in the West Virginia Legislature, 1983-85, and was Marshall’s interim vice president for institutional advancement last summer during the search for a successor to Keith L. Scott.

"Joe Miller has done an excellent job in behalf of Marshall University during his time here,” Vice President for Institutional Advancement Edward G. “Ned” Boehm Jr. said. "While I am pleased that he is making a significant career step, I also recognize the fact that replacing him is going to be difficult. All of us in the Institutional Advancement unit wish him well."

Autism open house set

The Autism Training Center at Marshall University, Old Main Room 316, will hold an open house on Friday, Dec. 8, from 3 to 7 p.m.

The general public is invited to attend the reception and tour the Autism Training Center facilities, according to Wanda J. Wells, center office manager.

Informational brochures pertaining to autism and the center’s services will be available and a video program will be shown every half-hour.

Parking will be available in the metered lots adjacent to Old Main and Memorial Student Center.

To obtain further details contact the Autism Training Center at Marshall University, 696-2332.
Labor-Management Committee forming

The West Virginia Labor-Management Council, working with Marshall University to establish a Labor-Management Committee for the Tri-State area, will hold an organizational meeting on Thursday, Dec. 7, at 6:30 p.m. at Marshall’s Office of Research and Economic Development Outreach, 1050 Fourth Ave.

Representatives from business, industry, education, labor and government agencies have been invited to participate in the meeting, which will be open to the public.

The purpose of the meeting will be to forge partnerships that will develop and improve labor-management relations, according to Dr. Fred A. Barkey, associate professor of industrial relations at the West Virginia College of Graduate Studies, who will conduct the meeting and discuss the benefits of forming an area Labor-Management Committee.

"The committee, along with Marshall University as the lead cooperative institution, will provide technical assistance to area labor-management programs," explained Dr. Robert J. Evans, co-director of the M.U.R.A.L. Center.

Students will receive one-to-one attention or tutoring in small groups depending on the participants’ needs. The tutoring will be done by Marshall University College of Education students under the close supervision of College of Education faculty members.

The IBM “Writing to Read” program will be featured during the sessions for the first time during the spring semester. Evans said “Writing to Read” will be appropriate for a limited number of youngsters in kindergarten through fifth grade.

Testing for learning problems also will be available from the M.U.R.A.L. Center.

The cost of the program will be $100 per student for the tutoring sessions. There will be an additional $25 charge for the testing program.

To obtain application forms or further details contact Marshall University’s Division of Teacher Education, 696-2340, or Dr. Robert J. Evans, 696-2853. Evans recommends that interested persons register as soon as possible.

Dissertation to be defended

William Capehart, a candidate for the Marshall University-West Virginia University doctoral degree in educational administration, will defend his dissertation on Wednesday, Jan. 17, at 1 p.m. in the Dean’s Conference Room in Jenkins Hall.

Observers are welcome; however, there is limited seating, according to Dr. Neil L. Gibbins of the Educational Administration Department.

Letter of appreciation

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

Thank you for your expressions of sympathy through the lovely floral arrangement. Your kindness made difficult days brighter.

Sincerely,

Maudie Karickhoff
Marshall faculty/staff achievements

Dr. WILLIAM A. MCDOWELL, professor of counseling and rehabilitation, was senior author of an article titled “Extending Psychotherapeutic Strategies to People with Disabilities” which was published in the November/December issue of the Journal of Counseling and Development. He also presented a workshop on “Personal Stress Management for Personnel Managers” for the state Human Resource Management Training Conference held Oct. 24.

As state adviser to the collegiate chapters of the West Virginia Music Educators Association, Dr. LOIS BLACKBURN of Marshall’s Music Department served as co-organizer of the association’s annual conference held Nov. 5-7 in Fairmont. “An Eclectic Approach to Music Education” was the theme for the conference which featured clinics for future music educators. Clinicians included Dr. BLACKBURN, Dr. DONALD A. WILLIAMS and Dr. JOHN MEAD of Marshall.

Dr. WAYNE ELMORE, professor of biology, has a paper titled “Effects of Sodium Selenite on Growth of Bracken Fern Root Callus” published in Annals of Botany. The paper was co-authored by Dr. Alan R. White of North Dakota State University (formerly a professor at Marshall) and undergraduate research students Doshia Webb and Bruce Ripley.

Dr. MARTIN AMERIKANER, associate professor of psychology, along with co-authors from the University of Houston, had an article titled “The Relationship Between the Hardiness Test and the Personal Orientation Inventory” published in the September issue of the Journal for Research in Personality.

NOLA J. BROWNING, assistant to the director of admissions, STEPHEN W. HENSLEY, assistant dean for student affairs, and Dr. CLAIRE W. MATZ, director of the Center for International Studies, represented Marshall at the bi-regional meeting of the National Association for Foreign Student Affairs held Nov. 15-17 in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dr. CHARLES H. MOFFAT, professor and chairman emeritus of the Marshall Department of History, recently was inducted into Huntington’s Wall of Fame which is located in the foyer of the Huntington Civic Center. To be chosen to the Wall of Fame, a person must either be a Huntington native or have lived in the city for 10 years, and have performed a community service from which the entire city has benefited. MOFFAT founded the MU Honors Program and has been involved in various university and community activities. He is the author of “Marshall University: An Institution Comes of Age.”

JOSEPH M. MARSHMAN, director of residence life, has been named chairman of the Residence Life/Housing Committee of the West Virginia Association of Student Personnel Administrators.

Dr. BONNIE H. DOUGLAS and Dr. JANE C. FOTOS of the School of Nursing have co-authored an article published in the November issue of Nursing Education. The article, “BSN Courses for Students Via Satellite,” examines distance learning in the nursing program, an instructional innovation pioneered in West Virginia by the Marshall School of Nursing.

Dr. DAVID R. WOODWARD, professor of history, gave an address on Field Marshal Sir William Robertson for the annual meeting of the Army Records Society held Nov. 21 at King’s College, London, United Kingdom.

Dr. CHONG W. KIM, professor and chairman of the Management Department, has had an article titled “Korean Value Systems and Organizational Practices” published as a chapter in the book, “Korean Managerial Dynamics,” edited by Chung and Lee and printed by Prager Publishing Company.

Professors RICHARD J. BADY, WARREN L. DUNGE, THOMAS J. MANAKKIL and Professor Emeritus JAMES W. RUTHERFORD of the Department of Physics and Physical Science attended the annual meetings of the American Association of Physics Teachers, Appalachian Section, held Nov. 10-11 at Bethany College. MANAKKIL presented a paper titled “Indoor Radon Levels in Cabell County” and was re-elected as the Appalachian Section representative to the AAPT National Council.

Researchers to lecture

Dr. Sue Savage-Rumbaugh of the Psychology and Biology departments at Georgia State University will make a presentation as this year’s Sigma Xi guest lecturer on Monday, Dec. 11, at 8 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge, according to Dr. Steven P. Mewaldt, professor of psychology at Marshall.

Dr. Savage-Rumbaugh has gained an international reputation for her work on the behavior of apes and has become particularly well-known for her work in ape language and communication.

She has appeared on the PBS television show, Nova, and has been the featured speaker at several national conventions.

Her presentation, which will focus on her work in the area of ape communication, will be open to the public free of charge.

Light refreshments will be served prior to the address.

Greeks give to charity

Marshall University fraternities and sororities contributed more than $14,300 to a variety of area charities and community organizations this year, according to Dr. Don E. Robertson, associate dean of student affairs at Marshall.

Robertson said fraternity and sorority members put in more than 6,600 hours doing community work or raising funds for charitable organizations.

“Our Greek organizations are a source of pride to the university and they do many service projects which benefit the whole community,” said Robertson. “Fraternities and sororities sponsor beneficial projects on local, state and national levels that often go unrecognized. They do a lot of good work and deserve credit for their efforts.”

German grants available

The Grawemeyer Awards Committee at the University of Louisville invites applications from scholars in any discipline who want to conduct research in German-speaking Europe.

Full-time members of the faculty at any accredited college or junior college in Kentucky or the seven contiguous states are eligible to compete, according to Dr. Rainey Duke, assistant provost.

One award of $3,000 will be granted. The application deadline will be Feb. 1.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Provost’s Office, 696-6690.