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NEWSLETTER

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Six veteran professors to be honored

Six Marshall University professors with a total of 189 years of service to the university will receive the Distinguished Service Award during a general faculty meeting Thursday, April 16, according to MU President J. Wade Gilley. The meeting in the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center will begin at 4 p.m.

The award, which includes a \$1,000 stipend, is presented annually to faculty members who have distinguished themselves in their fields and who have shown a long-term commitment to Marshall, Gilley said.

The 1998 recipients are:

Dr. Robert P. Alexander, distinguished professor of management who has been with the university for 39 years. He was the founder and first director of Marshall's Placement Services office, served as professor and chair of the Management Department from 1978 to 1983 and dean of the College of Business from 1983 to 1991. He also directed the M.B.A. program and served many years on the Academic Planning and Standards Committee. A former Huntington mayor and an 18-year member of City

Council, he received the Marshall Alumni Association's Community Service Award.

Dr. Paul A. Balshaw, distinguished professor of music, has been at Marshall the past 34 years. As dean of the College of Fine Arts from 1984 to 1995, he initiated the Fine Arts Gala and the Performing Arts Center building project. Chair of the Music Department for 19 years, he founded the University Opera Studies program. An outstanding musician, he is an accomplished singer, keyboard performer, violinist and conductor. He serves as coordinator of graduate studies in music, conducts the university orchestra and coaches upper division voice students as they prepare for recitals and competitions.

Dr. William E. Crockett has been associated with Marshall University Graduate College since 1969. He has been a professor of chemical engineering at MUGC since 1969 and program advisor of chemical engineering from 1970 to 1997. He served as acting president of the former West Virginia Graduate College, which merged with Marshall last year, in the summer of 1982

and academic vice president from 1981 to 1992. He was dean of the School of Engineering from 1981 to 1997. For the current year he is dean of the new Graduate School of Information Technology and Engineering and program director of the Master of Science in Engineering program. The holder of three patents and a 1984 recipient of the Edward D. Knight Award for Outstanding Service, he was inducted into the Academy of Chemical Engineers in 1994.

Dr. Robert B. Hayes came to Marshall in 1965 as dean of the College of Education. He was named president of the university in 1974, serving until 1983. A professor in the Department of Education Administration from 1983 to 1991, he has served in a number of administrative assignments for President Gilley since 1992. These include acting dean of the College of Business, acting dean of the Community and Technical College, acting director of the Research and Economic Development Center, director of North Central Association Accreditation and chair of the Computer Science and Software Development Department.

Dr. Dorothy E. Hicks, professor in the Division of Health, Physical Education and Recreation (HPER), began her Marshall career as chair of the Department of Physical Education for Women from 1969 to 1974 and was women's golf coach, 1974-1978.

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Faculty members to receive awards

Fifteen Marshall University faculty members will be recognized for their contributions of service to the university during a general faculty meeting Thursday, April 16, at 4 p.m. in the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center.

The Presidential Service Awards are designed to honor faculty members who take on responsibilities that serve the university as a whole and which have not always been recognized, President J. Wade Gilley noted. "The individuals who are receiving the 1998 award have served Marshall very well in a variety of ways," Gilley said. "This award represents a token of our appreciation for their excellent efforts in helping move the university forward."

In addition to a certificate, each recipient will be assigned a \$500 faculty development account in the Marshall University Foundation which may be used for travel, research, books or other materials to enhance his or her work at Marshall.

Receiving the awards will be:

Neal G. Adkins, associate professor and division head, Accounting/Legal Environment; Gary D. Anderson, professor, Chemistry; Louis H. Aulick, professor and associate dean, Physiology; Elaine Baker, professor, Psychology; Susan deMesquita, professor, Physiology;

William N. Denman, professor, Communication Studies; Roscoe Hale Jr., professor and chair, Division of Teacher Education; Carolyn M. Karr, professor, History; Michael L. Little, professor, Biological Sciences; Charles O. Lloyd, professor and chair, Classical Studies;

James Morris-Smith, director of theater facilities and auditoria manager; Giovanna B. Morton, professor and associate dean, Nursing;

Robert L. Rubenstein, associate professor, Counseling, at MU Graduate College; Troy M. Stewart Jr., professor and chair, Political Science, and Linda S. Wilkinson, associate dean and associate professor, General Studies, MU Community and Technical College.

Bookstore Grand Opening April 20

The Marshall University Bookstore will celebrate its Grand Opening with a ceremony on Monday, April 20.

William Hoffman, author of "Tidewater Blood," will be a featured speaker and will sign his book from 10 to 11 a.m.

A ribbon cutting ceremony will follow and there will also be prizes, refreshments, music and more. Contact the MU Bookstore, 696-3622, for more information.

Marshall faculty and staff achievements

Dr. WILLIAM N. DENMAN, professor in the Department of Communication Studies, spent the week of March 23-27 as a Visiting Professor in the Department of Communication Studies at Anglia Polytechnic University in Cambridge, England, as part of his sabbatical. He gave three lectures at the university: "The Communication Studies Discipline in the United States," "Rhetoric

and Popular Culture" and "The Legacy of Kenneth Burke: A Communication Studies Perspective."

DENMAN also met with students at Anglia interested in participating in the student exchange program with the MU Department of Communication Studies and the W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications.

Veteran professors to be honored

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Marshall's faculty representative for the NCAA and the Southern Conference from 1982 to 1994, she also has served as vice president and president of the Southern Conference. She has received the Southern Conference Commissioner's Award for Service and has been named to the Marshall Sports Hall of Fame and the West Virginia Women in Sports Association Hall of Fame and has been included in "Who's Who of American Women" and "Outstanding Educators of America."

Dr. Carolyn M. Karr, professor of history, has served in a number of roles during her 30 years at Marshall, including chair of the Social Studies Department, 1984-1986;

chair of the CISLS Division in the College of Education, 1986-1993; associate dean of the College of Education, 1983-1984; chair of the International Studies Committee, 1992-1998, and chair of the General Education Committee, 1994-1998.

As chair of the Baccalaureate Task Force, Dr. Karr spearheaded the approval and implementation of The Marshall Plan for Quality Undergraduate Education. Active in women's issues, she was a founder of the Women's Center and a co-creator of the first Women's Studies course at Marshall. She was recognized by the Women's Center for outstanding contributions in 1992 and was named an Outstanding Woman of the Area in 1978.

Faculty Senate to meet April 23

The MU Faculty Senate will meet Thursday, April 23 at 4 p.m. in the John Marshall Room of the Memorial Student Center, according to Corley F. Dennison, president of the senate.

The agenda will include: a report from MU President J. Wade Gilley, announcements, an ACF report and a presentation on the current status of daycare.

Three standing committee recommendations will also be considered to approve the following: one recommending an amend-

ment to the current Grievance Procedure in the Student Handbook; one recommending a change to the current Marshall University HIV/HBV Policy, an done recommendation concerning the moving of library materials to the new library.

Standing committee reports will also be given by the following committees: Physical Facilities & Planning, Research, Student Conduct & Welfare and University Functions.

For more information, contact the Faculty Senate office, 696-4376.

Visiting Writers Series continues April 22

Novelist Harvey Jacobs will read from his work on Wednesday, April 22 at 8 p.m. in the Alumni Lounge of the Memorial Student Center, according to Art Stringer, associate professor in the Department of English.

Jacobs is the author of four novels, most recently "American Goliath." "Time" magazine called the novel "inspired," while "Kirkus Reviews" praised it as "a masterpiece...Stunningly inventive and charming fiction - arguably the year's best novel."

His work has appeared in "Esquire," "The Paris Review" and many other

journals. Over his career he has written many shows for PBS and helped name and create the Obie Awards while working for the "Village Voice." He currently resides in New York City, where he was born and raised.

Jacobs' appearance is sponsored by the English Department's Visiting Writers Series and the College of Liberal Arts. It is free and open to the public and copies of "American Goliath" will be available at the MU Bookstore and the reading.

For more information, contact Art Stringer in the Department of English, 696-2403.

Dr. DAYAL SINGH, professor in the Department of Finance, presented a paper entitled "Partial Privatization of Social Security Payroll Taxes and Measures to Deal With Projected Deficits" at the annual meeting of the Association of Private Enterprise Education, held April 5-7 in Dallas, Texas.

Dr. DAVID R. WOODWARD, professor in the Department of History, recently had his book entitled "Field Marshal Sir William Robertson: Chief of the Imperial General Staff in the Great War" published by the Greenwood Publishing Group, Inc. He has also been editor of a volume of Sir William Robertson's letters published in 1989.

Tri-State Psychology Conference April 17

The annual Tri-State Psychology Conference will be held on Friday, April 17 in the Memorial Student Center.

The conference will give students an opportunity to present their own research and to learn from outstanding psychology professionals. For more information, contact the Department of Psychology, 696-6646.

Memorial held



Margaret Gerke (left) and Ruth Sullivan (right) spread dirt around the base of two dogwood trees planted in honor of their late husbands, Dr. Robert L. Gerke and Dr. William S. Sullivan, in front of Corbly Hall on Wednesday, April 8.

William Sullivan and Robert Gerke both held the title of chairman of the MU Department of English while they were employed at Marshall.