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Marshall faculty and staff achievements

KAREN P. BAKER, assistant professor in the Division of Human Development and Allied Technology, made presentations titled "Changing History and Influencing Destiny: Dual-Career Couples in Higher Education" and "Bridging the Personal and Professional in Commuter Relationships" at the 1997 convention of the American College Personnel Association and National Association of Student Personnel Administrators held recently in Chicago. She participated in the conference's International Symposium that included participants from several countries. BAKER also is on the Professional Development Committee of the ACPA Commission VI Directorate. She recently was elected to a two-year term on the Alumni Council board of directors of Leadership Tri-State and was appointed to the Leadership Tri-State board of directors for a one-year term.

Dr. HAROLD T. MURPHY, professor and chair of the Modern Languages Department, attended the Spring Methodology Conference on Foreign Language Teaching held April 18 at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. He gave a presentation titled "El corrido mexicano: History, Geography, Music, Culture and Grammar."

Dr. F. DOUGLAS ROBERTSON, assistant professor of Modern Languages, presented his paper titled "The Great Mother Archetype in 'Al filo del agua' of Agustin Yanez" at the Spring Conference of the West Virginia Foreign Language Teachers' Association held April 19 in Charleston.

THOMAS E. WILSON, associate professor of physics and physical science, attended a workshop titled "Manipulation of Coherent Quantum Phenomena" held May 1-2 at Princeton University. He was invited to attend the workshop by the U.S. Army Research Office, the Defense Advanced Projects Agency and Princeton University.

Dr. ROBERT P. ALEXANDER, distinguished professor of management, attended the national conference of the Academy of Business Administration held April 15-20 in Cancun, Mexico. ALEXANDER participated in the following activities: served as a conference area coordinator for the Teaching Excellence awards, served on a panel for a program titled "Business School/Industry Interface," presented a paper titled "The Impact of Downsizing Good or Bad?" (lead author of the paper which was accepted for inclusion in the proceedings was graduate student J. Wade Gilley Jr.), served as discussant for a session, served as conference photographer, attended more than six presentations. ALEXANDER received a National Service Award in recognition of his service to the organization. He has been asked to serve as program chair for the 1999 conference.

RANDY BOBBITT, assistant professor in the W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications, participated in a panel discussion titled "Communicating in the '90s" held

Lancaster receives MMA honor

Dr. John S. Lancaster, professor of mathematics at Marshall University, has been selected as the sixth recipient of the Mathematical Association of America (MAA) Ohio Section Award for Distinguished University Teaching of Mathematics.

The award was presented during the Ohio Section meeting held recently at Youngstown State University. The award is presented to those who are widely recognized as successful teachers, have an influence in their teaching of mathematics beyond their own institutions and foster curiosity and excitement about mathematics in their students.

April 19 at the First Christian Church in Ashland, Ky.

Dr. LYNNE B. WELCH, dean of the School of Nursing, talked about nursing in Iran at the Xi Tau chapter of Sigma Theta Tau induction ceremony held recently. She related her experiences as a World Health Organization consultant to the University of Iran School of Nursing and Midwifery. WELCH gave workshops over a three-day period to nursing faculty from throughout Iran. She also consulted regarding the bachelor's and master's curricula at the University of Iran. Her talk mentioned the impact of the Muslim religion on the delivery of health care. WELCH encouraged nurses to gain global perspective of nursing and health care.

THOMAS A. LOVINS, director of recreational sports and fitness activities, attended the 48th annual conference of the National Intramural Recreational Sports Association held April 4-9 in Louisville, Ky. LOVINS, who serves on the Conference Program Committee, assisted in the administration of the conference that was attended by 1,600 professional and student members.

CHRIS OEHRLEIN, instructor in the Community and Technical College, made a presentation titled "Alternative Assessment: Group Tests" at the spring conference of the Ohio Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges held April 5. He also made a presentation titled "A Semester's Worth of 'Adventures in Algebra'—One Instructor's Experiences with a Computer Automated Homework System" at the spring conference of the Virginia Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges held April 11-12.

LYNDA CANNON, Marshall's resource collaborative director for the Appalachian Rural Systemic Initiative, attended the Eastern Kentucky Leadership Conference held recently in Morehead, Ky. She participated in a roundtable discussion on "Riding the Crest of the Third Wave" (The Information Age).

Dr. JEFFERY SCOTT ELWELL, professor and chair of the Department of Theatre, had his new play, "Truth and Consequences," selected for the Off-Off-Broadway Short Play Festival. ELWELL, along with GENE ANTHONY and JANIS MARTIN of the Theatre Department and five students, traveled to New York May 2-5 to present the play at the Harold Clurman Theatre on 42nd Street. ELWELL's article, "The Electronic Hustle: or How to Use the Internet to Market Your Plays," appears in the spring volume of the Dramatists Guild Quarterly. He also had an interview with award-winning playwright David Davis in the spring volume of Southern Theatre. ELWELL's play, "First Date," will be presented at the Lunch Theatre in Lund, Sweden, May 13-15. The Hothouse Theatre Company of St. Louis has commissioned a new work to be produced in April 1998.

Dr. STEVE SHUKLIAN, associate professor of economics, presented a paper titled "Economic Development and the Myth of Laissez Faire: Germany and France in the Nineteenth Century" at the annual meeting of the Association for Institutional Thought held in conjunction with the Western Social Sciences Association meeting in Albuquerque, N.M., April 24-26.

Dr. MARY BETH REYNOLDS, assistant professor in the Department of Communication Disorders, and Ohio University professors Dr. Donald Fucci and Dr. Zinny Bond, published a manuscript titled "Effect of Visual Cuing on Synthetic Speech Intelligibility: A Comparison of Native and Non-native Speakers of English." Their article appeared in the April 1997 edition of "Perceptual and Motor Skills."

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Four to be honored at 160th Commencement

Marshall University will award about 1,900 degrees during annual Commencement ceremonies Saturday, May 10, in the Huntington Civic Arena. The program will begin at 11 a.m.

Governor Cecil H. Underwood will be the Commencement speaker and will be awarded an honorary doctoral degree. Also receiving honorary doctorates will be Dr. Mildred Mitchell Bateman, Franklin D. Cleckley and William E. Willis, according to Registrar Roberta Ferguson.

Participating in Commencement will be students who completed their degree requirements last summer and in December, as well as those completing their work during the current semester. Ferguson said 294 have earned honor graduate status.

Twenty-two will graduate with highest honors (summa cum



Underwood



Bateman



Cleckley



Willis

laude), 79 with high honors (magna cum laude) and 149 with honors (cum laude). Eight Community and Technical College students will graduate with high honors and 36 with honors.

Bachelor's degrees are to be awarded to 1,174 students, master's degrees to 469, associate degrees to 228, Doctor of

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Valentine retiring from university May 31

Carol J. Valentine, assistant professor of English at Marshall University, has announced her retirement effective May 31, according to Dr. Sarah Denman, vice president for academic affairs at the university.

A native of Belle, W.Va., Valentine received her bachelor's and master's degrees from Marshall and did graduate work at Morehead (Ky.) State University.

Prior to joining the Marshall faculty in 1965, she taught in the Cabell County School System.

Valentine has been involved in many activities at Marshall. She served as adviser for the Campus Crusade For Christ,

adviser to College of Education English majors, was a member of the Writing Committee and director of the Writing Center.

During her tenure as director, the Writing Center's budget expanded from \$6,000 to \$20,000 per year, the staff size more than doubled and the available hours per day rose from five to 12. She also was instrumental in redesigning the center's space, upgrading the computers, expanding its hours and developing a large group of skilled and dedicated staff members.

She was co-director of Marshall's four-day conference commemorating the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II in 1995. The unique conference brought together scholars from throughout the United States and several foreign countries to promote knowledge of the global conflict and underscore the unity of purpose among allied nations.

Valentine, who recently received Marshall's Distinguished Service Award, has made presentations at various conferences and presented guest lectures in Thailand, China and Mongolia.

She also is active in many church and community organizations including Birthright and the Huntington City Mission.

"Professor Valentine has served Marshall University in various ways during her long tenure on the faculty," said Denman. "She has been a thoughtful and caring member of the Marshall community since she came to campus in 1954 as a student. She will be missed by her colleagues, university staff members and students."



Valentine

COLA to grant awards

Marshall University's College of Liberal Arts will present Outstanding Teaching awards to three faculty members during the college's Graduating Senior Event being held Friday, May 9, at 7:30 p.m. in the W. Don Morris Room in Memorial Student Center.

Dr. Joan Tyler Mead, dean of the college, said awards and stipends of \$1,000 will be presented to Nancy H. Lang, assistant professor of English; Dennis C. Lebec, instructor of journalism, and Debra K. Teachman, assistant professor of English.

The names of the winners also will be engraved on a plaque displayed in the College of Liberal Arts Office in Old Main Room 107.

This is the first year the college will be presenting Outstanding Teaching awards during its Graduating Senior Event. Winners were selected by the Dean's Advisory Committee.

"We have numerous outstanding teachers in the College of Liberal Arts," said Mead. "This year's awards identify three of them."

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Medicine degrees to 50 and Ph.D. degrees to five.

Of those eligible to receive degrees, 358 completed requirements last summer and another 537 did so last December. The figure of 1,031 completing their work this spring could change slightly after completion of final examinations, Ms. Ferguson noted.

Gov. Underwood, who will receive the honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree, enjoys the unique distinction of serving as both West Virginia's youngest governor and its oldest governor, having been elected to the post in 1956 and 1996.

Dr. Mildred Mitchell Bateman, during a West Virginia medical career spanning 50 years, served as director of the State Department of Mental Health for four governors and was the first African American to administer a major West Virginia State Agency. The former chair of the MU School of Medicine's De-

CATC workshops slated

Professional development workshops have been scheduled in May by the Computing Across the Curriculum (CATC) program at Marshall University, according to Ken Williams, CATC director.

"Using USNET News Groups in Classes" by Phil Smith will be held Wednesday, May 14, from 1:30 to 4 p.m. in Smith Hall Room 532. It will be about topic-centered electronic discussion groups and how they can be used creatively to support instruction.

"Teaching in a Virtual Reality Environment" by Karen McComas will be held Saturday, May 17, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Smith Hall Room 532. This workshop will enable participants to teach and hold office hours in a MOO, a type of text-driven virtual reality that permits synchronous (real-time) communication.

The workshops are free with reference materials provided. A continental breakfast will be available starting at 8:30 a.m. for the Saturday workshop.

Enrollment for the workshop on "Teaching in a Virtual Reality Environment" will close May 14.

To register or obtain further details contact Ken Williams in the Marshall University Communication Studies Department, 696-2811, or register by E-mail to williams@marshall.edu.

Public comments sought

The Board of Examiners of the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) is inviting written public comments about Marshall University's School of Education in connection with an accreditation review scheduled next fall.

Interested individuals may submit their comments on Marshall's program by Aug. 15 to: Board of Examiners, NCATE, 2010 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20036-1023. Comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of professional education programs offered at Marshall and should specify the respondent's relationship, if any, to the university. Copies will be sent to the university prior to the review. No anonymous or oral testimony will be considered.

The School of Education is part of Marshall's College of Education and Human Resources.

partment of Psychiatry, she currently serves as clinical director of the state's Huntington Hospital and part-time professor of psychiatry in the School of Medicine. She will be awarded the honorary Doctor of Humanities.

William E. Willis, a 1948 Marshall honor graduate, has had a distinguished career with the New York City law firm of Sullivan & Cromwell, including service as chief attorney for the National Football League. Also an author and lecturer, he has been an outstanding supporter of Marshall, particularly in its effort to build a new library. He will receive the honorary Doctor of Humane Letters.

Huntington native Franklin D. Cleckley, one of the state's most prominent attorneys and a professor of law at West Virginia University, in 1972 became WVU's first African American full professor. In 1994 he was appointed a justice on the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals, the first African American to serve on that court. Widely known for his writings in various areas of the law, he drafted the West Virginia Rules of Evidence and the West Virginia Rules of Criminal Procedure. He will receive the honorary Doctor of Humane Letters.

Greetings will be delivered to the new graduates by Kay Goodwin, chair of the University System Board of Trustees; Bea N. Orr, chair of the university's Institutional Board of Advisors, and Jane Butcher, president of the Marshall Alumni Association.

Event will raise funds for MU health library

A Hard Hat Party May 17 at the construction site of the Marshall University Medical Center will benefit Marshall's Health Sciences Library.

Sponsored by the School of Medicine and Cabell Huntington Hospital, the event will begin at 7 p.m. with a cocktail reception, to be followed by dinner and tours of the new complex. Music will be provided by Mardi Gras.

Special activities will include a silent auction, a "dump truck guesstimate," and the opportunity for participants to leave their mark on the new facility by buying a commemorative brick or stair. Guests are encouraged to mix construction garb with black-tie attire, and a prize will be given to the best dressed guest. Photos of those who attend will be placed in a time capsule to be opened in 50 years.

Tickets are \$75 a person. For more information call Beth Hammers at 696-7163.

Letter of appreciation

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

As this academic year is almost history, I take this opportunity to thank you for your support during my tenure at Marshall.

Your countless notes of best wishes have been comforting and I am most appreciative. Marshall will always have a special place in my heart. Retirement—I recommend it to all who are eligible.

Sincerely,
Nell Bailey

MU staff members to be recognized at luncheon

Marshall University's 13th annual Service Awards Luncheon will be held Thursday, May 15, from noon to 2 p.m. in the W. Don Morris Room in Memorial Student Center.

The following university staff members will receive awards:

For 15 Years of Service—Nina Barrett, Eddie Bracey, Connie Chapman, John Darrah, Sharon Gates, Herbert Karlet, Paula Kelly, Linda Mills, Janet Rone, Penny Smoot, Jerry Stowasser, Allen Taylor;

For 20 Years of Service—David Arigan, Hildegard Bauer, Marie Billy, Robert Bolling, Ezra Brinegar, Janet Dudley, Charlotte Hardin, Linda Holmes, Betty Lawhorn, Thomas Lovins, Joyce Ray, Ida Reed, William Shondel, Jack Shafer, Carol Skaggs, Judy Watters;

For 25 Years of Service—Delana June Adkins, Nancy Filbert, Charles McKinney, Judith Olson, Barbara Ransbottom;

For 30 Years of Service—Julia Gibson;

For 35 Years of Service—Shirley Dyer;

Retirees—Nell Bailey, Edna Ball, Lois Jacqueline Ball, Shirley Bledsoe, Clifford Curry, John E. Garrido, Wilma Gibbs, Barbara James, Cleo Johnson, Richard Larson, Judy May, Clarice Maynard, Helen Moeller, Floyd McSweeney, Ernestine Osburn, Reginald Spencer, Cal Stephenson, Maxine Vernon, Jacquelyn White.

To be eligible for awards employees must have completed 15, 20, 25, 30, 35 or 40 years of service to Marshall University by May 1, 1997.

Senate meeting planned

Marshall University's Faculty Senate will meet Thursday, May 15, at 10 a.m. in the Patio Dining Area on the second floor of Memorial Student Center.

The agenda will include: the approval of minutes of 4/24/97; announcements; report of the university president; ACF report; 22 standing committee recommendations to approve course evaluations and an alternative resolution regarding course evaluations, a proposal that residence hall parking be moved to the stadium lot freeing existing residence hall spaces for commuter parking, the establishment of the Marshall University Dependent Employee Scholarship, that graduate assistants be allowed to request alternate parking on those lots designated for faculty that are not filled, and 18 recommendations on curriculum and program changes; requests to speak to the senate; old business; new business/open forum, and agenda requests for future meetings.

Club seeks memorabilia

Marshall University's Faculty Wives Club is preparing to celebrate its 75th anniversary during the 1997-98 academic year.

The club would appreciate any Marshall memorabilia that could be donated to help them celebrate their 75th anniversary. Club members also would like written memories from people associated with the university to be included in a book.

Contributions can be sent to Mrs. Charles Peele through the Marshall University Mathematics Department.



Marshall University President J. Wade Gilley, right, meets with Dr. Maurice A. Mufson and his wife, Diane, after they established an award to honor an outstanding Marshall University medical graduate.

Mufsons establish award

An outstanding Marshall University medical graduate will be honored annually through an award established by Dr. Maurice A. Mufson and his wife, Diane.

Mufson, chairman of the Marshall School of Medicine's Department of Medicine, and his wife, a licensed psychologist, endowed the award through The Marshall University Foundation Inc. to recognize a graduating student who excelled in courses in the Department of Medicine and who plans a career in internal medicine or one of its subspecialties.

Dr. Mufson, a Marshall professor and department chairperson since 1976, currently is president of the Association of Professors of Medicine, a national organization comprising chairs from 125 U.S. medical schools.

A native of New York, Mufson graduated from Bucknell University and from the New York University School of Medicine. He recently was presented The Solomon A. Berson Alumni Achievement Award in Health Science by NYU. He is well known for his research on infectious diseases and has published more than 150 scientific papers and book chapters.

Diane Mufson, a partner in Affiliates in Psychology and Therapy Inc., graduated from the University of Vermont and earned master's degrees from Cornell University and Marshall.

Kinsey joins department

Captain William R. Kinsey has joined the faculty of Marshall University's Department of Military Science, according to Lt. Col. Thomas R. Noreen, chair of the department.

Kinsey earned a bachelor's degree in political science and was commissioned at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville in 1992.

He will serve as an assistant professor of Military Science at Marshall. He most recently was assigned to Fort Benning, Ga., where he completed the Infantry Officers' Advanced Course. His initial assignment was at Fort Wainwright, Alaska.

Kinsey is replacing Capt. Edward J. Burke who has been reassigned to Germany.