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# University Classified Staff Council meets

(The following report on the June 20 meeting of the Marshall University Classified Staff Council was submitted by Connie J. Zirkle, council secretary.)

Members present were: Donald Adkins, Lisa Allen, Nina Barrett, Sherry Brooks, Jill Chapman, Shannon Christian, Shirley Dyer, Patricia Gallagher, Kay Hesson, Ronnie Hicks, Anita Hill, Chris Kennedy, Jennifer Long, Rowena Napier, Sherri Noble, Terry Olson, Ken Reffeitt, Mark Ross, Olive Smith, Mary Wilson and Connie Zirkle.

Members absent were: Phillip Clay, Earl Johnson, Ted Misner, David Napier, Marsha Napier, Stephanie Neal, Nancy Pelphrey and Joe Wortham.

New members present were: Sharie Altizer, David Blackburn, Muhammad Chaudhry, Judy Damron and Verlin Hughes Jr.

David Cremeans, representative to the Advisory Council of Classified Employees (ACCE), also was present.

With a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 1:07 p.m. by President Shirley Dyer.

## Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the minutes of the May 16 meeting. The minutes from the special meeting held May 23 to address issues involving the constitution was the next item on the agenda. Typographical errors and changes were noted by Nina Barrett and a motion was made to accept the minutes with indicated changes. The motion was seconded and approved.

## Marshall faculty and staff achievements

MARK R. JULIAN, associate director for operations at the Robert C. Byrd Institute, was appointed to and served on the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS) Grants Review and Advisory Committee that convened July 17-20 in Washington, D.C. The committee was created, at the request of Congress, to review this year's 80 applications to the FMCS Labor-Management Cooperation Program. The FMCS provides grants for industry-related labor-management projects that promote organizational effectiveness, enhance economic development or involve workers in decisions affecting their jobs and plant operations. JULIAN served on the grant review board for industry with Diane Generous of the National Association of Manufacturers and Maureen Labenski of FMCS.

ERIC K. SPEARS, coordinator for international student services for the Center for International Programs and a part-time instructor in the Geography Department, recently had a paper titled "Maintaining a Balance of Power? A Revision of United States Federalism in the 1990s" published in two political journals in Mexico. The article appears in the February edition of *El Municipal* and the July edition of *The Mexican State and Municipal Public Journal*, both published by the Mexican National Institution of Public Administration. The paper examines the political obstacles facing the United States Congress and administration, with specific attention given to the recent government shut-down.

Dr. RONALD MARTINO and Dr. DEWEY SANDERSON of the Geology Department and TERRY HAMRICK, a graduate student in the department, attended the International Conference on Tidal Sedimentology held May 12-16 at Savannah, Ga. HAMRICK presented a poster titled "Paleoecology and sedimentology of a tidally influenced, marginal marine facies of the Lower Kanawha Formation (Middle Pennsylvanian) near

## Election of Officers:

President Dyer opened the nominations for officers beginning with the president's position. Nina Barrett and Patricia Gallagher were nominated for the presidency. Votes were taken and Barrett was elected Staff Council president.

Anita Hill, Mark Ross and Sherry Brooks were nominated for vice president. The votes were taken and Ross was elected vice president.

Connie Zirkle received the only nomination for secretary and was elected to that office.

Terry Olson and Ken Reffeitt were nominated for the office of Parliamentarian. Olson was elected to the position.

## Standing Committee Reports:

Membership/Election Committee—Joe Wortham, committee chair, was absent but Nina Barrett turned in a written report.

Personnel—Patricia Gallagher, chair, briefly discussed new business regarding ACCE, training and series 62.

Physical Environment—Anita Hill, chair, reported that an attempt was made to film traffic on Third Avenue. The attempt was not successful but will be repeated at a later date.

## ACCE Report:

Sherri Noble said that discussion was being held regarding a way to change how salaries are distributed and advised that this is an issue we need to closely monitor.

The meeting adjourned at 2 p.m.

Danville, West Virginia, U.S.A." MARTINO gave a presentation titled "Tidally influenced coastal facies from Middle Pennsylvanian Strata, Central Appalachian Basin."

Dr. KEITH BARENKLAU, director of the Safety Technology Program, and Dr. ED ZAKRZEWSKI, professor of safety technology, will be the featured speakers at a safety technology training seminar being held Thursday and Friday, Aug. 1-2, at Marshall University's Office of Research and Economic Development. The seminar will teach participants how to reduce workers' compensation costs through loss prevention, proper safety techniques and practices and accident prevention.

Dr. BRUCE EBANKS, chair of Marshall's Mathematics Department, attended the 34th International Symposium on Functional Equations held June 10-19 in Wisla-Jawornik, Poland. He presented two papers: "Quadratic differences that depend on the product of arguments" (joint research with four other authors), and "On the stability of multiplicative additive mappings."

Dr. RICHARD NILES, professor and chair of the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, was recently appointed chair of the Grant Review Panel II for the American Institute for Cancer Research (AICR) in Washington, D.C. This agency provides more than \$2 million per year for research relating nutrition to cancer. NILES also is a member of the program committee for the annual AICR conferences. This year's conference titled "Dietary Fat and Cancer: Genetic and Molecular Interactions" will be held Aug. 29-30 in Washington, D.C.

Dr. MONICA VALENTOVIC of the Department of Pharmacology had an article titled "Comparison of cephaloridine renal accumulation and urinary excretion between normoglycemic and diabetic animals" published in the May issue of *Toxicology*. Co-authors included JOHN G. BALL of the Pharmacology Department and BETHANY ROGERS, a second-year medical student.

# MU NEWSLETTER

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## Marshall employees support library fund

More than 400 Marshall University employees, current and retired, have accepted—and exceeded—a challenge from MU President J. Wade Gilley and his wife, Nan, to help in funding a new library/information center. In fact, Vice President for Development Frank P. Justice Jr. said faculty, staff and administrators have surpassed the Gilleys' challenge by more than \$62,000.

Last November, President and Mrs. Gilley donated \$5,000—"no strings attached"—to the library campaign and pledged another \$35,000, challenging Marshall employees to match that pledge on a \$4 for \$1 basis. By the end of the university's fiscal year on June 30, employees had given or pledged \$202,813—or \$62,813 beyond the Gilleys' \$140,000 challenge.

A total of 435 current and retired Marshall employees had donated to the library campaign by June 30. The university has 1,300 full-time employees.

## Smith gets interim post

John F. Smith has been named interim associate vice president for athletic development at Marshall University, succeeding Lance A. West who recently was chosen as Marshall's athletic director.



Smith

Smith had served as special assistant to the vice president for development (formerly institutional advancement) since September 1994, having been hired to coordinate the campaign for private gifts toward construction of a technologically advanced library/information center. In his interim position Smith will be the chief fund raiser for the Big Green Scholarship Foundation.

Frank P. Justice Jr., Marshall vice president for development, who announced Smith's new position, said a 10-person search committee, comprising representatives from various community and university constituencies, has been appointed to review applications. The committee hopes to hire an associate vice president within three to six months, Justice said.

Dr. Lynne S. Mayer, assistant vice president for development, is the liaison to the committee. Applications may be sent to her in care of Marshall University, 400 Hal Greer Blvd., Huntington, W.Va. 25755-6300.

A native of Keyser, W.Va., Smith joined Marshall's faculty in 1989 as professor of military science and chairman of the Military Science Department. He retired from the U.S. Army in August 1994 as a lieutenant colonel after 25 years' service.

Smith's military career began in 1964 in the Reserve Officers Training Corps. He was commissioned as a second lieutenant in 1969 upon receiving his bachelor's degree in forest management from West Virginia University. He did graduate work at the University of Oklahoma and received his master's degree in education from the University of Maine in 1980. Currently he is pursuing an Ed.D. degree through West Virginia University.

The Marshall Foundation also received \$68,227 in non-campaign gifts and \$18,262 in non-campaign pledges from Marshall employees during the period between Sept. 15, 1995, when the library campaign was announced, and the fiscal year end on June 30. The 310 non-campaign gifts and pledges were designated to the annual fund, various scholarships, academic departments and other programs.

Total gifts and pledges received from current and retired Marshall employees over the nine month period was \$289,302.

During the past major fund-raising effort, The Campaign for Marshall, which ran from Oct. 13, 1989, through June 30, 1992, a total of 71 employees donated \$33,710 to the campaign. During The Campaign for Marshall time period, 453 employees and retirees donated \$93,607 to non-campaign areas. All employee and retiree giving over the 33-month period totaled \$127,317.

Gifts and pledges to the library fund from all sources have reached \$5.3 million.

"Nan and I are very pleased to see Marshall employees demonstrating a stronger commitment to the university," Dr. Gilley said. "Everyone on campus should make an investment in the new library. Faculty, staff and administrators need to demon-

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## Calvert receives award

Tim Calvert of Ashland, Ky., systems analyst programmer lead in the Computer Center, has been selected as the Marshall University Employee of the Month for July, according to Bill Burdette, chairman of the selection committee.



Calvert

Calvert has worked for the university for more than 16 years.

He was nominated for the award by Sharon Rutherford, director of payroll at Marshall. In making the nomination, Rutherford said, "It is uncommon to find one person whose job directly affects everyone at the university and even more uncommon when the effect is positive. One such person is Tim Calvert at the Computer Center.

"Tim is the systems analyst who is responsible for the university's payroll, human resources and budget systems. He also creates specialized systems for other university departments and works in the Banner student information system. During the past 10 years, Tim has worked with us in the development of our payroll systems and has done all the programming for the 81 payroll programs and 31 budget programs we use to process payroll.

"When our reporting requirements change or when we think of a smarter, more efficient way to let the computer handle tasks, Tim is the first person we call. By helping us do our jobs more efficiently, he helps to assure that everyone's paycheck is on time and correct. We couldn't do payroll without him.

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strate to the community and the state that we are committed to the betterment of our institution."

Ninety-two employees have made a commitment of \$1,000 or more to the library fund. They are:

Anna Lee Abbas; Roger L. Adkins; Ramchandra G. Akkihal; Sherry Hayes Asbury; Larry E. Barnhill; Barbara J. Becker - Cottrill; Barry A. Beckett; Richard D. Begley; Camilla Singleton Brammer; Bruce J. Brown; Jonathan T. Brown; William P. Burdette Jr.; Carl P. Burrowes; F. Jeanne Childers (retiree); Donnalee "Dee" Cockrille; Donovan L. Combs; F. Layton Cottrill Jr.; William S. Deel; Sarah M. Newman Denman; Leonard J. Deutsch; William A. Edwards; Terry W. Fenger; Roberta J. Chenoweth Ferguson; L. Josephine Fidler; George David Fleming; Jane Chapman Fotos; Alan B. Gould; Mary Jo Graham; Mary L. Grassell; K. Edward Grose; Bertram W. Gross; Roscoe Hale Jr.; Rebecca Shaw Hamsher; James W. Harless; Robert B. Hayes; Linda Sue Holmes; James W. Hooper; Alan S. Horwitz; Carolyn B. Hunter; Robert Hyde Huston; Thomas R. Irwin; James Andrew "Andy" Jarrell; Thomas C. Johnson; Mark R. Julian; Frank P. Justice Jr.; Herbert J. Karlet; Calvin A. Kent;

## Calvert receives award

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"Recently, in an effort to eliminate the paper W.Va.-11 process (a process by which the Finance and Administration Budget Office in Charleston receives university payroll and personnel information), Tim worked with a group of staff members to create a new electronic process and helped us through its implementation. The positive result would not have been possible without Tim's logical thinking, calm demeanor and 'can do' attitude.

"As payroll director and having worked with Tim for more than nine years, I can't begin to list all the times I've depended on him to create solutions for problems that could have been catastrophic. Some examples are the times he worked from home in a full leg cast and the calls he made while away on a trip to find out what my problem was and relay a solution to another programmer here at Marshall. It doesn't matter where he is or what his condition—we can depend on Tim."

Calvert will receive a plaque and \$100 for being named Employee of the Month and will be eligible for the Employee of the Year Award.

Marshall University President J. Wade Gilley and his wife, Nanna, provided funds through a grant to establish the Employee of the Month and Employee of the Year program.

The program has been designed to recognize outstanding performance by classified and non-classified staff at the university.

Awards will be made to MU employees who have exhibited exceptional levels of work performance and displayed high regard and loyalty toward the university and their job responsibilities.

## SCORES event is April 11-12

Sherry Brooks, project coordinator of the Marshall University SCORES (Search Committee on Recognition of Excellent Students) Department, said preparations are underway for next year's academic festival.

She said the 1997 SCORES Academic Festival will be held April 11-12.

Larry D. Kyle; Adrian C. Lawson; Charles O. Lloyd II; Warren G. Lutz; Ted Massey; Lynne Supovitz Mayer; Lynn Booth Mayfield; Marilyn McClure; Michael J. McGuffey; Charles H. McKown Jr.; Joan Tyler Mead; Arnold R. Miller; Pamela D. Stephens Mitchell; Philip E. Modlin (retiree); Richard M. Niles; Le Vene A. Olson; Susan Samuels Peyton; Virginia D. Plumley; Gilbert A. Ratcliff Jr.; Jose I. Ricard; Gary L. Richter; Barbara A. Roberts; James J. Schneider; Wesley L. Shanholtzer; Terry A. Shepherd; John F. Smith; H. Keith Spears; Patsy Brumfield Stephenson; Joseph M. Stone Jr.; Thomas A. Storch; Allen R. Taylor; Herbert Tesser; Mark A. Thompson; Jack L. Toney; Donald L. Van Horn; Carole J. Allen Vickers; David K. Walker; Patricia A. Garrett Walker; Charlotte N. Weber; Lynne B. Welch; Sue Williams Welty; Lance A. West; Lyle C. Wilcox; Linda Smith Wilkinson; Donald A. Williams.

The Gilleys' pledge, by the way, has been fulfilled.

"It's not too late to support the library fund," Vice President for Development Frank P. Justice Jr. said. "Because the bids for construction were higher than anticipated, we increased our goal for private philanthropy from \$7 million to \$8 million.

"We're pleased by the amount of dollars given and pledged by current and retired Marshall employees, but disappointed in the number of donors," Justice continued.

Anyone wishing to contribute to the library fund may call the Development Office (ext. 6440) for a pledge card. Pledges may be paid over a five-year period and payments may be made through payroll deduction.

To make an outright gift of cash, send a check payable to The Marshall University Foundation Inc. to the Foundation's office, Old Main 323. Contributions via MasterCard and Visa also are accepted. Call the Foundation office (ext. 6264) for details.

## University theatre will present comedy Aug. 1-3

The Marshall University Theatre will present the comedy "Play On!" Aug. 1-3 at 8 p.m. in the Francis Booth Experimental Theatre in the Fine and Performing Arts Center.

Dinner theatre reservations are available with this production as well as non-dinner seating.

Admission will be \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors 65 and older. Marshall retired faculty and staff and current summer school students will be admitted free. Dinner will be an additional \$14. Dinner service will begin at 5:30 p.m.

To obtain tickets or further details contact the Marshall University Box Office, 304-696-2787.

## Letter of appreciation

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

I would like to thank you for the lovely planter that I received on your behalf after my recent surgery.

I appreciate your thoughtfulness and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Jacqueline M. Guttman

## Mufson named president

Dr. Maurice A. Mufson, professor and chair of the Department of Medicine at Marshall University's School of Medicine, has been selected president of the Association of Professors of Medicine (APM).

He will serve as president of the national organization of chairs of departments of internal medicine from 125 U.S. medical schools and several affiliated teaching hospitals until June 30, 1997.

A native of New York, Mufson graduated from Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pa., in 1953 and the New York University School of Medicine in 1957. He completed his internship and residency in internal medicine at Bellevue Hospital in New York City and then served as chief resident physician for the University of Illinois-Chicago medical service at Cook County Hospital.

After serving in the U.S. Navy Medical Corps from 1959 to 1961, Mufson was awarded a U.S. Public Health Service Postdoctoral Fellowship in Infectious Diseases in the Laboratory of Infectious Diseases at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases of the National Institutes of Health. He joined the Public Health Service after completing his fellowship, serving in the Laboratory of Infectious Diseases until 1965.

Prior to accepting a position at Marshall in 1976, Mufson served as professor of medicine at the University of Illinois College of Medicine.

He is a fellow of the American College of Physicians and the Infectious Diseases Society of America and is a member of the Southern Society for Clinical Investigation, the Central Society for Clinical Investigation and Alpha Omega Alpha.

## Open house will be held

Marshall University faculty and staff are invited to join MU President J. Wade Gilley and Congressman Nick Rahall for an open house celebrating the opening of the Environmental Management Incubator in Gullickson Hall Room 206 on Tuesday, Aug. 13, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Faculty and staff who would like to attend the event should R.S.V.P. by August 2 to Marshall's Environmental Center, 696-5453.

## MU recycling guide on Internet

The Marshall University Recycling Guide is now available on the Internet, according to Karen Kirtley, program coordinator, Student Center Operating.

To access the guide, go into Mosaic of Netscape. When the Marshall homepage appears type the following location/address: <http://www.marshall.edu/recycle/brochure.html>.

## ACLS grants available

The American Council of Learned Societies is offering fellowships for postdoctoral research in the humanities and social sciences for U.S. citizens who received their Ph.D. prior to Oct. 1, 1994.

Grants and fellowships also are available in art history, east European study, scholarly communication with China and other fields. Stipends range up to \$20,000.

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



Marshall University President J. Wade Gilley, left, accepts a \$5,000 check from the A.T. Massey Coal Co. toward an athletic scholarship in memory of former Marshall wrestler and coach Bill Cyrus, who died May 12. Delivering the check was Jerry Eyster, center, the company's vice president for corporate development. With Gilley and Eyster is Lance A. West, Marshall athletic director. Cyrus was chief corporate pilot for A.T. Massey.

## Scholarship established

The A.T. Massey Coal Co. has contributed \$5,000 toward establishing an athletic scholarship at Marshall University in memory of Bill Cyrus, the company's chief corporate pilot.

Cyrus, who earned his B.A. degree in 1963 and his M.S. degree in 1968, both from Marshall, died May 12. A stand-out Marshall wrestler during 1960-62, Cyrus was a Mid-American Conference champion in the 130-pound class and served as Marshall wrestling coach, 1968-70. He and his wife, the former Patricia Toler, who earned a B.A. degree from Marshall in 1963, lived in Chesterfield, Va.

Jerry Eyster, Massey vice president for corporate development, presented the check to Marshall President J. Wade Gilley and Lance A. West, Marshall athletic director.

Those wishing to contribute to the scholarship endowment may send memorial gifts to The Big Green Scholarship Foundation, P.O. Box 1360, Huntington, W.Va. 25715-3160.

## ARC internship is open

West Virginia's Development Office and the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) program is soliciting applications for the ARC Governor's Intern Program.

The 10-week internship in Charleston represents an opportunity for substantive graduate-level research. The ARC will provide a stipend of \$7,500.

Research and/or practical experience will focus on one of the following areas: economic development, regional planning, education, health, community development.

The intern should be a graduate student in business administration, public administration, economics, geography, political science, Appalachian studies, statistics or urban/rural planning. Computer literacy is required.

Applications must be submitted by Aug. 7 to Mark VanKirk at the West Virginia Development Office, Appalachian Regional Commission Program, 1900 Kanawha Blvd., Building 6, Room 531, Charleston, W.Va., 25305.

To obtain further details contact VanKirk or Ralph Goolsby 304-558-2001.