Kizer boosts Yeager fund to $500,000

A $100,000 contribution from a Southern West Virginia businessman has boosted the endowment for Marshall University's Society of Yeager Scholars to $500,000 in its first month of fund-raising activities.

H. Paul Kizer, president of M.A.E. Services, Inc. of Beckley is the latest major contributor to the Yeager Scholars endowment, according to Marshall Foundation President William F. Agee. Kizer's firm operates eight coal mines and two coal preparation plants employing about 550 in Raleigh, Wyoming and Boone counties. The mines produce about 3 million tons of coal annually.

A 1961 graduate of Mt. Hope High School, Kizer received his bachelor's degree from Marshall in 1966. He has served on the university's College of Business Advisory Board for the past two years.

"We're very pleased with Mr. Kizer's action for several reasons," MU President Dale F. Nitzschke said. "First, it is a significant response to the Yeager Scholars program from still another Marshall alumnus and second, it represents the first contribution from the coal industry. Finally, this gift allows us to reach the first milestone in our efforts to establish an endowment for the Yeager Scholars.

"We have a long way to go, but the response during the first month has been both rewarding and encouraging," Nitzschke added.


Named in honor of Yeager, a West Virginia native and the first man to pilot a plane faster than the speed of sound, the Society of Yeager Scholars is designed to attract 20 of the nation's most outstanding students to Marshall each year. All their college expenses will be paid and they will receive an intensive, enriched academic program during their four years at Marshall.

MU Vice President for Institutional Advancement Keith L. Scott said funds contributed to the Yeager Scholars endowment will be invested and annual proceeds will be used to meet the students' expenses. Each $100,000 in the endowment is expected to generate enough funds to cover the costs of one Yeager Scholar each year, he added.

Scholastic journalists will meet on MU campus

More than 300 scholastic journalists and their advisers are expected to gather at Marshall University in Huntington April 18-19 for the 59th annual meeting of the United High School Press Association.

- High Schools from all parts of West Virginia as well as eastern Kentucky and southern Ohio will be represented, said Wallace E. Knight, UHSP director and an associate professor of journalism at Marshall.

"We'll have the students and advisers who produce newspapers for their schools, and editors of their yearbooks, and others who develop radio and television programming as a part of their studies," Knight explained.

The convention is coordinated annually by the faculty of Marshall's W. Page Pitt School of Journalism. It includes two days of workshops on subjects related to all aspects of journalism, and a Saturday luncheon at which awards for outstanding work in 20 categories are presented to students.

"The awards cover everything from news and editorial writing to photography and yearbook design and editing," said Dr. Deryl R. Leaming, director of the School of Journalism. "Among them is a $500 scholarship for the most promising student journalist -- and the competition is tough, with very high standards."

Students submitted materials for judging about a month ago. The judges are journalism educators and professionals working for newspapers, magazines and related media across the country.

Another part of the convention activities is a series of critique sessions for schools that want their publications or broadcast programs analyzed by widely experienced journalists, Knight continued.

"The convention theme this year is 'Be a winner,'" he explained. "We feel the awards, critiques and workshops all contribute to that goal; they're designed to help students and schools improve their journalistic efforts. They also show students the way toward interesting and productive careers in writing, editing, photography and other parts of the growing field of communications."

United High School Press Association was established in 1927 by W. Page Pitt, who introduced the study of journalism at Marshall. Its conventions have been held each spring since that time except for lapses during World War II and on one occasion since then.
Committee approves course changes

(The following report on the March 18 meeting of the Marshall University Academic Planning and Standards Committee was submitted by Corey Lock, secretary.)

Voting members present: Mahlon Brown, Peter Barr, Elaine Novak, Glenn Smith, David Woodward, Kenneth Guyer, Giovanna Morton, Dan Evans, Kathryn Wright, Marcus Waldron and Corey Lock.


Guest: Tina White.

Item 1—Minutes:
The minutes of the Feb. 18 meeting were approved.

Item 2—Subcommittee Reports:

A. Academic Standards:

Dr. E.S. Hanrahan reported a clarification regarding how to include graduate coursework in the GPAs of undergraduate students.

The subcommittee recommended the following statement be adopted: “Grades received in graduate courses taken by undergraduate students for undergraduate credit will be included in the computation of the student’s undergraduate grade point average.”

The statement was adopted by a vote of 10 to 0.

The subcommittee is working on a checklist to assist with the implementation of Board of Regents Policy Bulletin 60.

B. Academic Curriculum:

The Academic Curriculum Subcommittee recommended action on the courses from the following colleges:

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Item 3—Old Business:

The subcommittee to review the function statement for Academic Planning and Standards met and recommended no change in the function statement. It was suggested that APSC not proceed on the matter until the status of the University Senate is clarified.

Scholarship Endowed

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"Mrs. Brewer was the type of person who would have qualified as a Yeager Scholar herself," Scott said. "We are sure she would have been pleased to have the T. Smith Brewer Endowed Scholarship as a part of the Yeager Scholars program."

The first Yeager Scholars will be enrolled in the fall of 1987, Marshall’s sesquicentennial year.

FBLA state convention will be held April 12

The Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) state convention will be held at Marshall University on Saturday, April 12, in Memorial Student Center.

Approximately 500 students and 100 advisers and judges from high schools throughout West Virginia will participate in the activities which will feature business sessions and statewide competitions in all areas of business including management, data processing, typing, stenography, public speaking, accounting and numerous other categories.

The winners in the state competitions will be eligible to compete as West Virginia’s representatives in the national FBLA competition later this year, according to Dan L. Twehues, adviser for Marshall’s chapter of Phi Beta Lambda, the collegiate branch of the FBLA, which is sponsoring the convention.

To obtain further details about the FBLA state convention contact Twehues, instructor in business technology at Marshall University’s Community College, 696-3646.

Vietnam programs set

The Oral History of Appalachia Project has received a grant from the Humanities Foundation of West Virginia to help fund two presentations entitled “Winter Soldiers Remembered: New Perspectives on Vietnam Veterans,” according to Dr. Robert Sawrey, assistant professor of History.

The programs will be presented by John Hennen Jr., a history graduate student and graduate assistant in the Oral History of Appalachia Project, and Robert Muller, president of the Vietnam Veterans of America.

Muller will talk about post war experiences of Vietnam veterans on Monday, April 21, at 7:30 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall. Hennen will discuss some of his research on Vietnam era veterans from West Virginia on Wednesday, April 23, at a location still to be named.

The programs are open to the public free of charge.

MCIE to meet April 16

The Marshall Council for International Education will meet on Wednesday, April 16, at 3:15 p.m. in the Campus Christian Center, according to Judy Assad, MCIE president.

Dr. Ralph Taylor, professor of biological science, will present slides and discuss his recent research and study trip to the People’s Republic of China at 3:30 p.m.

The meeting, which will be the last MCIE meeting of the academic year, is open to everyone free of charge.
Professor designs dealership mural

Robert Rowe, assistant professor of art at Marshall University, and artist Glenn Williamson of Ceredo recently were commissioned by Matt Miller of Dutch Miller Chevrolet to create a design for the interior of the Huntington dealership’s service department.

The design will cover approximately 9,000 square feet and could be the largest mural in the state, according to Laken Ray of the West Virginia Cultural Center in Charleston.

"The project was challenging," said Rowe. "We had to incorporate windows, pipes, soft-drink machines and other existing structural features into the design. The mural also had to relate to the functions of the various areas, such as directing attention to cashiers and parts windows. A good design is both functional and aesthetically pleasing," he explained.

Consisting of blocks of color, checkerboards and diagonals, the design gives the service bay a crisp, clean look, suggestive of efficiency. It also suggests racing flags and stripes.

Rowe said the abstract design was conceived to make the tremendous interior space more comfortable and more attractive.

The initial reaction to the design from the Dutch Miller employees, who are currently painting the mural, was mixed, according to Rowe. However, he said the employees began to respond favorably to the design as the work progressed.

Williamson graduated from Marshall last December with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in graphic design.

Assad awarded grant to study in Germany

Judy Assad, coordinator of international students and president of the Marshall Council for International Education, has been awarded a Fulbright Senior Scholarship to study the political, social, academic and cultural differences between students in Germany and the United States.

She left for Bonn, West Germany, April 3 and will spend the first 10 days of her month-long visit in that area meeting with educational associations and administrators. The rest of her visit will be spent traveling throughout the country, visiting campuses and talking with college officials, faculty members and students.

Assad said she would be discussing issues that affect exchange students and trying to help promote more exchange programs between the two countries.

She is one of 20 persons from throughout the United States making the trip.

The Fulbright program was established in 1947 to finance educational exchanges between the United States and other countries in order to increase mutual understanding.

Assad will return to the Marshall campus May 8.

NSF grant received

The Marshall University Geology Department has been awarded a $23,360 grant by the National Science Foundation for the renovation and upgrading of the department’s X-ray diffraction and fluorescence equipment.

Awarded under the National Science Foundation’s College Science Instrumentation Program, the grant will be used to obtain a dual-target X-ray tube and new detectors which will extend the analytical capabilities of the university’s fluorescence unit to a large number of elements and help in the conversion of the department’s older vacuum tube electronics to solid-state, according to Dr. Richard B. Bonnett, chairman of Marshall’s Geology Department.

A fluorescence unit is used extensively in geology for the identification and chemical analysis of minerals and rocks.

"The grant will immensely improve the laboratory teaching capabilities in many of the departmental courses, especially those involving extensive mineralogical and geochemical work," said Bonnett, who worked on the grant proposal in cooperation with Dr. Protip K. Ghosh, associate professor of geology at Marshall.

Model U.N. scheduled

Professor Tietje DeVries, a Fulbright Scholar from the Netherlands, will be the keynote speaker for the opening of Marshall University’s 13th annual Model United Nations which will be held Friday and Saturday, April 11-12, in Smith Hall.

DeVries currently is serving as a professor in residence at Davis and Elkins College, Elkins, where she teaches classes on modern European history and western civilization.

The opening ceremony will begin at 1:30 p.m. Friday on the eighth floor of Smith Hall. In addition to the keynote address DeVries will lecture in several Marshall classes.

During the weekend activities students from high schools throughout the Tri-State area will assume the roles of representatives from the various countries on the United Nations Security Council and the Economic and Social Council.

To obtain further details about the Model United Nations contact Dr. Clair Matz, director of Marshall’s Center for International Studies and adviser to the Model United Nations Club, 696-6636.

Breakfast help wanted

Wanted: Faculty and staff to act as food service helpers from 10 p.m. to midnight on Wednesday, May 7, in the Twin Towers Cafeteria. Must be able to serve breakfast foods, bus trays, toast bread and pour coffee for students during the fourth annual Midnight Breakfast which is being sponsored by the MU Student Housing Office.

Contact the Student Housing Office, 696-6635, to apply. The application deadline will be Friday, May 2.
Medical School gets equipment gift

A medical instrument to test children with ear problems such as infections has been donated to the Marshall University School of Medicine by the Cabell/Wayne/Mason Division of the March of Dimes.

The instrument, a tympanometer, measures eardrum movement. It will be especially useful in treating children with middle-ear infections, according to Dr. James Lewis of the Department of Pediatrics. “This gives us a reliable way to find out if there is fluid behind the eardrum by showing whether the eardrum is moving normally,” he said.

“The tympanometer takes the hassle out of the test for the children, and provides more reliable and objective results than our older equipment,” Lewis said. “It does not require the child’s cooperation, the test can be done in less than 30 seconds, and the results come out in a printout that we can keep to monitor the child’s progress.”

The $2,400 instrument will be paid for by the March of Dimes’ Walk America walkathon, scheduled April 27, according to Teresa Ferguson, division director. She asked that anyone who wants to participate in the walk or to sponsor a walker call her at 522-2270.

Symphony to perform

The Marshall University Wind Symphony, under the direction of Dr. W. Richard Lemke, will perform on Tuesday, April 15, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

A number of works will be performed during the concert including a work by Ralph Vaughan Williams, “Toccata Marzialee,” which was conceived for the military band in 1924. Another number, “Torch Dance” by James Barnes, was completed 50 years later for the University of Kansas Symphonic Band.

Other numbers will include “Pineapple Poll,” a potpourri of Gilbert and Sullivan tunes arranged by Charles Mackerras; “Variations on a Korean Folk Song” by John Barnes Chance; “Transformations, A Tribute to Stephen Foster” arranged by Sammy Nestico, and “Barnum and Bailey’s Favorite” by Karl L. King.

The 50-member ensemble of Marshall students also will perform John Philip Sousa’s “The Fairest of the Fair” during the program which is open to the public free of charge.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Institute for the Arts, 696-3107.

Ensemble wins award

The Marshall University Vocal Jazz Ensemble recently returned from a week-long tour of Michigan and Ohio where they participated in the Western Michigan Gold Company Invitational Jazz Festival.

Under the direction of Kevin Dobreff, music instruction specialist, the ensemble received one of four Outstanding Group Awards presented during the festival’s closing ceremonies. The Vocal Jazz Ensemble then performed throughout the week in Fremont, Coshocton, Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio. The group also presented clinics in vocal jazz performance styles and rehearsal techniques for various high school groups during their tour.

Excused absences...

Absences have been excused by the respective college deans for the following:
APRIL 1-5—Tom Kies, Joe Vennari, Kelly Maxwell, Phil McGlothlin, and Brian Meade.
APRIL 9-10—Marshall University Wind Symphony members.