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Marshall faculty and staff achievements

PEGGY BADEN, assistant professor in Marshall University's School of Nursing, has been selected as a recipient of a Certificate of Merit for outstanding advising in 1995 by the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA). The award is presented in recognition of demonstrated abilities as an advisor in national-wide competition. BADEN is adviser for the MU Student Nurses Association. She will be honored at the NACADA President's Luncheon scheduled during the association's annual conference Oct. 8-11 in Nashville, Tenn.

Dr. GARY R. RANKIN, Dr. MONICA A. VALENTOVIC, Dr. SUK KIL HONG, J.G. BALL, DIANNE K. ANESTIS and

Letters of appreciation

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

It's been said that your true friends emerge in times of adversity. Matthew and I have been blessed to learn that we have a vast number of true, caring friends here at Marshall University. We want to thank all of you for your mass and varied expressions of kindness and sympathy following the sudden loss of Jane. You have lifted our spirits and eased our burden—and we are forever grateful to you.

Sincerely,

C.T. Mitchell

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

Thank you very much for the beautiful floral arrangement and other expressions of sympathy that were sent at the time of Jane's death. We appreciate the thoughtfulness and kindness that comes from you to Jane's family.

Sincerely,

Mack Gillener

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

Thank you for your kind expression of sympathy in our time of loss. The flowers you sent were beautiful and deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,

Ema and Dave Wilkin

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

During my recent hospitalization, I received a beautiful planter from the Marshall University faculty and staff. I wish to express my appreciation. The plant not only brightened the hospital room but also our home now that the hospital stay has ended. It is nice to be remembered by colleagues.

Sincerely,

Richard Hensley

LARRY D. DIAL of the Department of Pharmacology in the School of Medicine and Dr. PATRICK I. BROWN of the Department of Anatomy in the School of Medicine are co-authors of a paper titled "In Vivo and Acute In Vivo Vasopressin Effects Induced by 2-Chloro-4-Hydroxyacetanilide and 4-Chloro-2-Hydroxyacetanilide in the Fischer 344 Rat" that was published in Toxic Substances and Health (14:93--109, 1995).

RANDY BOBBIOT, assistant professor in the School of Journalism and Mass Communications, recently was elected to a two-year term to the board of directors for the Huntington Arts Club which is affiliated with the American Advertising Federation.


Dr. CHONG W. KIM, professor and head of the Management/Marketing Division, presented a paper titled "The Concept of Trinity and Its Application to Management Practice" at the Third International Conference on Management and Values held in Dunedin, New Zealand. The article was co-written by JUETT COOPER of the Management/Marketing Division. The paper was published in the conference proceedings. KIM also chaired a paper session on "Research in Management Theory during the conference.

PDK honors MU professors

Dr. Roscoe Hale, chair of Marshall University's Teacher Education Division, received the Phi Delta Kappa Service Award during the spring initiation ceremony held by Marshall's PDK chapter Tuesday, May 23, in the John Marshall Dining Room.

Dr. Hale is the highest recipient from the organization. Previous winners of the PDK Service Award are Dr. Robert Hayes, Dr. Zane McCoy and Dr. Neil Gibbins.

Dr. Carole Vickers, dean of Marshall College of Education and adviser of the MU PDK chapter, was presented the Kappan of the Year Award.

Dr. Larry Kyle, director of the Business Development and Training Division at Marshall's Research and Economic Development Center, was elected president-elect of the chapter during the meeting. Gail Sheets, program manager in Instructional Television Services, was elected newsletter editor. Martha Deel, administrative assistant in the office of the vice president for finance, will continue in her role as PDK Foundation representative and delegate to the biennial convention that will be held this October in Detroit, Mich.

George Thomas of Meridian, Miss., PDK international president, was the guest speaker.

Eight educators from the area were inducted into Phi Delta Kappa during the initiation ceremony.

Library to sell used books

Marshall University's James E. Morrow Library will have a used book sale Thursday and Friday, June 22-23, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Receiving Room entrance on the west side of the library (facing the Communications Building). Thressds of books will be sold. Hardcover books will sell for $1. Paperback books will sell for 50 cents. Proceeds from the sale will be used to support the collection needs of the library.

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Phase I of $30 million med center launched

Marshall University and Cabell Huntington Hospital launched Phase I of a $30 million medical complex Tuesday, May 30, in Huntington in a news conference at the university.

• The university and the hospital announced approval of a 99-year lease at $1 a year, providing Marshall space to build a $4.5 million Center for Rural Health on property owned by and adjacent to Cabell Huntington.

• Marshall President J. Wade Gilley formally awarded a $276,000 contract to Red Dawson Construction Co. of Huntington for Rural Health center site preparation work, including demolition.

Setliff receives award

Gael Setliff of Huntington, office administrator in the College of Business, has been selected as the Marshall University Employee of the Month for May, according to Bill Burdette, chairman of the selection committee.

Setliff has worked for the university for 10 years. She was nominated for the award by Lynette Boyes, senior administrative secretary in the College of Business. In making the nomination, Boyes said, "Gael has shown a very high level of professionalism in her work since her first day at Marshall. In my opinion, she goes above and beyond the call of duty.

"Gael seldom misses a day of work. She does not consider her work finished until she starts at 8 a.m. and ends at 4:30 p.m., but often comes in early and stays late. She has often come in on weekends to complete a project. Seldom does her supervisor have to ask her to do something additional. She is always enthusiastic about her work.

"Gael's position requires her to work closely with administrators, faculty, staff and students and she has a very good rapport with everyone she works with.

"There are times when the job gets very hectic but she keeps her cool even under great pressure. She has worked with three deans and all have the highest praise for Gael.

"Recently, the College of Business underwent a major reorganization with a move of more than 40 offices and faculty. Gael's close attention to detail was one of the reasons the move went so smoothly. It is difficult to put Gael's abilities and care for others into words. If everyone at Marshall were as dedicated and caring as Gael this would be an even greater institution.

"Setliff will receive a plaque and $100 for being named Employee of the Month and $100 for the Employee of the Year Award.

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

This 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 display genuine concern and loyalty toward the university and their job responsibilities.

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$1.5 million designated for academic initiatives

Although "investment funds are rare in American higher education at this point," Marshall University President J. Wade Gilley told the Faculty Senate during its meeting May 11 he is making a $1.5 million special allocation to support new academic program initiatives at MU. The funds, from Marshall's 1995-96 budget, are being assigned to the Division of Academic Affairs.

Top priorities for use of the money, Gilley said, are:

• The continuing movement to make Marshall one of the nation's most technologically sophisticated universities.

• Development of The Marshall Plan for Undergraduate Education, designed to give MU graduates a competitive edge in the economy of the 21st Century.

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The academic initiatives package includes funds from the Marshall University Foundation Inc. and the Marshall Research Corp., as well as state funds, Gilley said. Some of the money will be used for faculty salary increases, library acquisitions and computer training for faculty and students.
The United States Air Force Brass Quintet and the United States Air Force Woodwind Quintet will be the featured artists for Marshall University's eighth annual Wind and Percussion Festival held June 19-23, according to Dr. Ben Miller of Marshall's Department of Music.

Several free community concerts will be presented during the festival by the Air Force quintets, guest artists from the West Virginia Symphony, Marshall faculty members, college students, high school students and band directors. Jay Gephart, director of the North Central High School in Indianapolis, Ind., will serve as a guest conductor and clinician. Miller said Gephart is a popular conductor and clinician who is gaining a national reputation as an outstanding musician and educator.

The schedule includes the following concerts that will be open to the public free of charge:
- The United States Air Force Brass Quintet will perform Tuesday, June 20, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.
- The U.S. Air Force Woodwind Quintet will perform Wednesday, June 21 at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.
- The festival "Gazebo Band" will present a concert Thursday, June 22, at noon on the Ninth Street Plaza. The band will include music performed by drummers on stilts.
- The Festival Symphonic Band, featuring high school musicians, band directors, Marshall faculty members and guest artists, will present a concert Friday, June 23, at 7:30 p.m. at the Ritter Park Amphitheater. The concert will be moved to Smith Recital Hall in the event of rain.

Partial funding for the festival has been provided by the West Virginia Commission on the Arts, Division of Culture and History. To obtain further details about the festival, contact the Marshall University Department of Music, 304-696-3117.

Program seeks people to teach English in China

"Appalachians Abroad," a non-profit cooperative program directed by Marshall University's Center for International Programs and ESL as a Second Language Institute (ESLI), has been established to develop educational and business relationships between Appalachia and the People's Republic of China.

This September the organization will send 10 people from the region to China's Hunan Province to teach conversational English and North American culture, according to Dr. William A. Edward, interim director of Marshall's Center for International Programs.

Participants must have a bachelor's or master's degree in a field related to education, have native fluency in spoken and written English, possess cross-cultural sensitivity and have a strong interest in cross-cultural education.

An intensive training program will be available in July for participants who need to work on teaching skills and linguistic and cultural competencies for China. People who complete the training program may be eligible to teach English as a Second Language at ESLI, has been established to develop educational and business relationships between China, the People's Republic of China, and Marshall University.

"We are looking for people who want to participate in a special opportunity," said Blevins.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University ESLI, 696-2787.

WVU waives application fee for students from West Virginia

Application forms for West Virginia University tuition waivers for the 1995 fall term are available in the Marshall University Graduate School Office, according to Dr. Leonard Deutsch, Graduate School dean.

Clark Egnor, coordinator of Marshall's ESLI, recently returned from a trip to China. He said China is a wonderful place to teach because education plays an important role within the culture. Chinese students are a joy to teach because they are diligent and enthusiastic learners," said Egnor.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Center for International Programs, 304-696-6265.

Social science and political science program awarded $2.65 million

Federal and state grants totaling more than $2.65 million have been awarded to Marshall for the 1995-96 fiscal year.

All university staff members and administrators will have the opportunity to participate in "CONNECTIONS," a videotape-based training program designed to teach campus staff the skills needed to provide the highest quality of service to students and others.

The program is being presented for small groups in two-hour training sessions scheduled throughout the summer. University employees will be notified when their training sessions are to be held.

Some employees already have participated in the program that has been presented at more than 600 colleges and universities throughout the country.

Judy Blevins, training and development representative in Marshall's Department of Human Resources, said an overwhelming majority of employees who have participated in the program have been extremely positive about the training sessions.

"I think that even employees who went into the sessions with some skepticism came out feeling that the program is beneficial," said Blevins. "Our goal is to improve Marshall University but the program also teaches staff members to feel better about their work and their lives."

Through the hands-on training program developed by Noerd Center Inc., universities have been able to provide better service to students, foster teamwork and a sense of spirit among all employees. Each course is designed through better communication among staff, improve student/staff interactions, enhance the service image of the institution and increase morale and productivity during tight economic times.

"We are confident that we will be able to achieve the same results at Marshall," said Blevins.

Comedy to be presented

"Any Wednesday," a comedy by Muriel Resnik, will be presented by the Marshall University Theatre Thursday through Saturday, June 15-17, at 8 p.m. in the Francis B.chooth Experimental Theatre in the Fine and Performing Arts Center.

Tickets are $6 for adults. Discounts are available for people 65 or older, Marshall retirees and Marshall summer students.

For more information contact the Marshall University Box Office, 696-2787.

MU gets Wilson bequest

A $100,000 bequest in the will of former Marshall University athletic director Neil "Whitey" Wilson will assist future Marshall student athletes in completing their education. Richard L. "Dick" Wilson of Huntington, nephew of the late athletic director, recently presented a check to MU President J. Wade Gilley, Dr. Edward G. "Ned" Bohm Jr., Marshall senior vice president for institutional advancement and Lance West, assistant vice president for institutional advancement and director of athletic development.

Under the terms of Wilson's will, the money will be used to establish scholarships through the Big Green Scholarship Foundation and also will help support the Marshall Athletic Hall of Fame.

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MU employees honored for years of service

Forty-nine Marshall University staff members, representing 885 years of service to the university, were honored at the 11th annual Marshall University Service Awards Luncheon held Wednesday, May 17.

The following staff members were eligible to receive awards:


For 20 Years of Service—Donald Adkins, Kathy Adkins, Clifford Curry, Russell Dorton, Joe Dragovich, Jeff Edwards, Nadine Hamrick, Shannon Harshbarger and John McKinney.

For 25 Years of Service—Kenneth Blue, Georgia Childers, William Deel, Alex Holcomb, Clarence W. Martin, Reginald Spencer and Willa Turner.

For 30 Years of Service—Worthy Richardson.

For 35 Years of Service—Cletis Richards.

Retiring staff members also received awards during the luncheon.

The following retirees were honored: Mary Ball, Opal Byrd, Willidean Chapman, Robert Eddins, Cleopatra Garvin, Marilyn Keyes Garner, Iula Chapman Hartley, Rosa Lewis, Marvel Mathews, Ezekiel Mills, Mary Pelfrey, Donald Salyers, Richard E. “Scooter” Shreve, Delores M. Wise and Phyllis York.

Worthy Richardson, assistant supervisor of building services in the Plant Operations Division, was honored for 30 years of service to Marshall University.

Honored for 20 years of service were, left to right, seated, Clifford Curry, Donald Adkins and Kathy Adkins; standing, Jeff Edwards, Nadine Hamrick and Joe Dragovich.

Honored for 15 years of service were, left to right, seated, Willa Turner, Clarence Martin, William Deel, Kenneth Blue, Reginald Spencer.

Retirees honored during the luncheon were, left to right, seated, Delores Wise, Rosa Lewis and Willidean Chapman; standing, Richard Shreve, Donald Salyers, Iula Chapman Hartley and Mary Ball.
Degrees granted through MU-WVSC program

Three graduates of West Virginia State College (WVSC) at Institute recently earned master's degrees from Marshall University through a cooperative minority graduate assistantship program developed by the two institutions, according to Dr. Leonard Deutsch, dean of Marshall's Graduate School.

The program was designed to encourage more people in under-represented groups to pursue graduate degrees. Under the program, Marshall makes a designated number of graduate assistantships available to African American students who have obtained or are in the process of obtaining baccalaureate degrees at WVSC.

MU waivers available

Applications for a limited number of graduate student tuition waivers for Marshall University's fall semester will be accepted through Friday, July 21, in the MU Graduate School Office, Old Main Room 113, according to Dr. Leonard J. Deutsch, Graduate School dean.

In line with the West Virginia Board of Trustees Policy Bulletin 49, priority will be given to faculty and staff of the state's colleges and universities and to West Virginia residents. A small number of waivers will be awarded to nonresident students.

Deutsch said academic merit will be the major consideration in awarding waivers, which cover tuition, registration and Higher Education and Faculty Improvement fees. Student Activity fees must be paid by the recipient.

Academic merit will be determined by grade point average and Graduate Record Examination scores. Students must list their GRE scores in order to be eligible for consideration.

Up to three hours of waivers for graduate course work will be awarded to qualified applicants.

Students interested in being considered for a Board of Trustees tuition waiver based on financial need criteria should contact the Graduate School to obtain the proper application procedure. Eligible students may be awarded up to six hours of waivers depending on grade point average.

Students who previously held waivers must reapply to be considered for fall semester waivers.

Approved waivers can be picked up beginning Tuesday, Aug. 1. Waivers not claimed by Friday, Aug. 11, will be assigned to other qualified applicants.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Graduate School, 696-6606.

Phyllis W. Howard dies

Phyllis W. Howard, 65, of South Point, Ohio, died Tuesday, May 30, at her residence.

She was an accounting clerk in the Marshall University Controller's Office.

Howard was born Dec. 11, 1929, in Lochgelly, W.Va., a daughter of the late Wilson H. Willard Sr. and Jessie Higginbotham Willard.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ralph Howard. She is survived by two brothers, the Rev. Canon Wilson H. Willard Jr. of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Ernest L. Willard of Lynn, Mass.; three sisters, Norma W. Howe of East Orange, N.J., Constance W. Williams of Belmont, Mass., and Myra W. Williams of Long Beach, Calif., and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

The students receive a stipend and a tuition waiver and work full-time or part-time doing research in collaboration with a professor, teaching one or two classes, preparing laboratories or performing other assignments.

Lillian Rena Jones of Hurricane earned a master's degree in biological sciences. Shawn Anthony Lewis of Dorchester, Mass., received a master's degree in communication studies. LynDail Walker of Huntington was awarded a master of arts degree in Journalism.

"The Marshall University and West Virginia State College Cooperative Minority Graduate Assistantship Program was a tremendous asset toward furthering my personal well-being and enabling me to function in the higher education environment," said Lewis. "I am now thoroughly convinced that I can earn a terminal degree."

Lewis plans to pursue a doctorate or a second master's degree in psychology.

Jones, who successfully defended her thesis titled "Ethylene Biosynthesis in Peas (Pisum Sativum) Grown in Closed Canisters and Peroxidase and Invertase Activity in Gravistimulated Oats (Avena Sativa) Peas," is currently working at the MU School of Medicine. She plans to study for a Ph.D. in plant biology.

Walker, who held internships in news and public relations at WSAZ-TV and the Huntington Mall, is working in Atlanta, Ga. Officials at WVSC and Marshall remain equally enthusiastic about the joint program.

"Seeing is believing," as the saying goes," said Dr. Betty J. Cleckley, vice president for multicultural and international programs at Marshall. "The success of these students demonstrates that the deliberate efforts to remove financial barriers to African Americans obtaining advanced degrees is beneficial. Their success encourages me to continue to meet the challenge of my position."

Dr. Barbara J. Oden, vice president for academic affairs at WVSC, said, "I, too, am extremely impressed with the value of this joint program and its initial success. I congratulate these three students who have demonstrated what can be achieved through interinstitutional cooperation."

Students working in MU labs

Three area high school students will participate in the American Chemical Society's "Project SEED" this summer at Marshall University.

Bartley Brown of Boyd County (Ky.) High School, Yada Copley of Vinson High School in Huntington and Misty Tyler of South Point (Ohio) High School will respectively work in the laboratories of Dr. Michael P. Castellani, Dr. Michael L. Norton and Dr. J. Graham Rankin of Marshall's Department of Chemistry.

The students will be working on existing original research projects. They will receive stipends provided by the American Chemical Society and matching funds provided by BASF Corporation.

"Project SEED" provides high school students a chance to conduct hands-on research for eight weeks during the summer with scientists from industry, government agencies and colleges and universities.

Castellani said the program helps students develop self-confidence, encourages them to pursue advanced study and encourages them to choose careers in the sciences.

To date, more than 4,000 students nationwide have participated in the program.