MU faculty and staff achievements activities.

DR. CHRISTOPHER DOLMETSCH, assistant professor of modern languages, contributed a review in comparative literature to the February issue of Choice (Vol. 21, No. 6).

MU's Foundation for MU President and Mrs. Dale Nitzschke from 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 11, in the Shawkey Room Memorial Student Center.

"This is really an informal get together," said MU Foundation Director Bernard Queen. "We hope that as many of you as possible will take time out from your work schedule to stop by and say 'Hello' to Dr. and Mrs. Nitzschke," Queen said.

"Where necessary, supervisors may want to consider allowing employees who wish to do so to attend on a staggered shift basis," he added.

FESTIVAL'S OUTSTANDING STUDENT

MU President Dale Nitzschke, right, and Marshall Foundation Director Bernard Queen present a $1,000 scholar­ship to Ironton High School senior Michelle McCollister. Michelle was judged the "Outstanding Student" in Mar­shall's recent Academic Festival. (MU photograph by Rick Hare.)

Welcome to Marshall!!

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Newcomers

New to the campus are: LOREY RODGERS, accounting clerk, Financial Affairs; THOMAS RUSSELL DORSEY, accounting clerk, Financial Affairs; and PATTI J. ALLEN, secretary, Mood Disorders Clinic. Welcome to Marshall!!

Autism Center

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faculty members in laying the groundwork for the Autism Training Center and getting the program established. "They have done a great job in bringing the program to this point," he said. "Now, with the Legislature's funding commitment, we can add additional impetus toward developing an outstanding pro­gram in this field."

I'm truly pleased and optimistic about all facets of this project," Nitzschke added. "A sincere, deeply in­terested and committed advisory board has been selected to help us and I believe we will make a great contribution toward the center's development and success."

Establishment of a state Autism Training Center was made possible by action of the 1983 Legislature in an effort to help children who have autism, a disorder which affects their developmental rates, sensory responses, speech and language, and ability to appropriately relate to people, events and objects.

BO R approves MU College of Fine Arts

The West Virginia Board of Regents at its monthly meeting Tuesday in Bluefield approved the establish­ment of a College of Fine Arts at Marshall University, ef­fective with the 1984-85 academic year.

The action by the board removes the present School of Fine Arts from the College of Liberal Arts and creates a free-standing academic unit. The new college is composed of the departments of Art, Theatre/Dance and Music, plus three service divisions: the Marshall Artists Series which was formerly housed under Student Affairs, the Institute for the Arts and the Auditoria Management Office.

"This move by the regents strengthens Marshall as a university and as a leader in the cultural life of our region," said MU President Dale Nitzschke. "The univer­sity's commitment to the arts was established long ago and this serves to further enhance that commitment by providing the proper arena in which it can flourish," Dr. Nitzschke added.

First proposed nearly 25 years ago, the College of Fine Arts is the result of "studied choice rather than historical accident," according to MU officials.

In February 1982, the BOR approved the formation of a School of Fine Arts within Marshall's College of Liberal Arts as the first step toward a full-fledged separate division.

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Special meeting called for staff on April 12

There will be a special meeting of all classified staff employees at 3 p.m. Thursday, April 12, in Old Main Auditorium to elect representatives to the MU Institu­tional Board of Advisors and the Board of Regents Ad­visory Council of Classified Employees.

MU President Dale Nitzschke also will be the guest speaker for the meeting.

Nominations for the Institutional Board of Advisors, the BOR Advisory Council and the five vacancies for the MU Staff Council will be accepted until 4:30 p.m. on Fri­day, April 6. The names of the staff council nominees will be distributed prior to the May 16 elections and the three-year terms will commence July 1.

The incumbents, who are eligible for re-election, are: Ray Welty, BOR Advisory Council; Kenneth Refeit, In­stitutional Board of Advisors; Phillis Caldwell and Sheri Nelson, Staff Council Group 1; Charles Edwards and Charles Harless, Staff Council Group 3; and Elizabeth Kesterson, Staff Council Group 4.

NOTE: President Dale Nitzschke is requesting supervisors not only to release personnel to attend the meeting on April 12, but also to encourage participation by all members of the classified staff.

COLLEAGUES HONOR DR. CLAGG

MU President Dale Nitzschke, right, pays tribute to Dr. Sam Clagg during a reception in Clagg's honor, recognizing his contributions during his non-month tenure as ac­ting president. Clagg received a plaque from the Presi­dent's Staff commemorating his service and a book, "The Geography of the Biosphere," from the president.

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College of Education search dean reopened

Marshall University is reopening its search for a Col-
lege of Education dean. MU President Dale F. Nitzschke
said the decision to re-advertise the position was
made after he met with the search committee last week
and reviewed the committee's recommendations.

“The committee did an excellent job and we were able
to interview a number of good candidates for the dean's
position,” Nitzschke said. “However, none of the ap-
licants stood out sufficiently from the others in the
final round to receive the necessary support I would like to see
for our next dean.

Graduate tuition waivers available for summer terms

A limited number of graduate tuition waivers for Mar-
shall University's Summer Terms will be available,
according to MU Graduate School Dean Robert F. Mad-
dox.

In line with the West Virginia Board of Regents Policy
Bulletin 49, priority will be given to faculty and staff of
the state's colleges and universities and to West Virginia
residents, Dr. Maddox said.

A small number of waivers will be awarded to nonresi-
dent students. Academic merit will be the major con-
sideration in awarding the waivers, according to Maddox.
If students are interested in being considered under
financial need, they should see Ed Miller, student finan-
cial aid director.

The forms for graduate tuition waivers are available
from the Graduate School and will be accepted in the
Graduate School Office.

The waivers cover tuition, registration, Higher Educa-
tion Resources and Faculty Improvement fees, but not
the Student Activity Fee which must be paid by the reci-
pient, Maddox said. Students, who held Spring Semester
waivers, must reaply for the Summer Terms to be con-
sidered.

The Graduate Degree Scholarship Program is authoriz-
ed by West Virginia law and provisions of theBOR
Policy Bulletin 49.

Virginia higher ed council establishes vitabank on blacks

The Council on Higher Education (coordinating board
for 39 state-supported institutions in Virginia) has begun
an intensive research project aimed at significantly
increasing black faculty at state-supported schools in the
Commonwealth in 1984-85. To this end, the Council on
Higher Education in Virginia has established a com-
puterized vitabank. This bank contains vitae of black
candidates who wish to be considered for faculty posi-
tions at any of the South’s institutions in Virginia.

Virginia's public institutions enroll 256,000 students in
approximately 1,500 degree programs. The Council is
interested in all qualified candidates. Areas of special in-
terest include the Arts, Basic Sciences, Business Com-
puter Science, Engineering, Mathematics, Law, Let-
ters, and Social Sciences.

Further information is available in the Graduate School Office.

We have expressed concern for the overall quality of
education in this country, so I am hoping we can identify
and build upon the strengths and stature to head
Marshall's College of Education,” Nitzschke added. “Im-
provements in America's educational system must come
together on the advice of our search committee and
their preparation programs, and we want Marshall to be in
the forefront of that effort. We're going to be looking for a
true leader to lead and stimulate our Col-
lege of Education.”

The vacancy was created last summer with the resigna-
tion of Dr. Philip Rusch, who accepted a position at the University of Toledo. Jack Maynard, assistant dean, is serving as acting dean.

MU Provost Olen E. Jones Jr. said the search commit-
tee will be dissolved at its own request and a new com-
mittee will be formed. “We will start immediately to
advertise nationally,” Jones said, “and we hope to be
able to employ a new dean between July 1 and Sept. 1.”

Nitzschke said the members of the new search committee
will be announced within the next few days.

School shows growth

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Praising Dr. Paul A. Balshaw, MU School of Fine Arts
director, for his leadership, MU College of Liberal Arts
Dean Alphonso J. Borsari said the Fine Arts director
were instrumental in reaching the goal of a College of
Fine Arts in an orderly process.

The School of Fine Arts currently has 378 majors, an
increase of 22 percent over the number in the programs
when the school was formed.

The school offers the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in
Music with concentrations available in applied music,
music history and literature, and in music theory and com-
position; Theatre with concentrations in acting and
directing, design/techniques, playwriting, and general
theatre studies; and, Visual Arts with concentrations in
ceramics, commercial arts, jewelry, painting, printmak-
ing, sculpture, and weaving.

Teaching degrees in art and music also are offered on
the undergraduate level. Master of Arts degrees are
available in art education, music education, and music
performance.

Preparatory programs for area school children are
offered in music and art and similar programs in theatradence are being developed.

A free-standing College of Fine Arts was called for in
the university's Mission Statement which said:

“The primary focal point for the university's commit-
ment to heightened aesthetic understanding is the pro-
posed development of the College of Fine Arts. The new
college will continue to extend leadership for cultural
stimulation within the university and throughout the region.
In art education, art studio, and coordinated pro-
grams of concerts, exhibitions, dramatic presentations,
workshops, displays and the Marshall University Art
Series, will be in the Community Arts Division to serve
public school students as well as early childhood and
adult education.”

Marshall administrators also have been working with
the BOR staff for sometime in planning for a fine arts
facility for the university.

Autism Training Center program expanded

Marshall University is accelerating the development of
a state Autism Training Center and expanding its pro-
gram under West Virginia law and provisions of the
Legislature, which is giving excellent support to this
program, has allocated $300,000 next fiscal year
toward continued development of the Autism Train-
ing Center,” Nitzschke said. “This commitment by the
Legislature gives us the resources to build a pioneering,
effective and expanding center. The training program for
the Autism Training Center from within the Special Educa-
tion Program to an interdisciplinary project which
also will involve participation by other departments
within the College of Education and the university.

Violence Against Women is focus of awareness week

Dr. Suzanne Steinmetz, educator and author, will be
the main speaker for “Violence Against Women Awareness Week” at Marshall University April 9-13.

The observance is designed to increase awareness of
the prevalence, causes and possible remedies to the
problems surrounding violence against women, accord-
ing to Patricia Matters, MU Women's Center coordinator.

The event will include lunchtime and evening seminars
and a discussion of the violence.

Dr. Steinmetz will discuss "Courtship Violence" in
a free aid directed at 5 p.m. Tuesday, April 10, in the
Alumni Lounge, Memorial Student Center.

Professor of individual and family studies at the
University of Kentucky, Steinmetz is the author of
"The Cycle of Violence: Assertive, Aggressive and
Abusive Family Interaction," "Behind Closed Doors,
" and "Violence in American Families." She has appeared
several times on such television programs as "Today"
and "20/20.

Also on Tuesday at noon, Dr. Steinmetz will present
a seminar concerning abuse of the elderly. That session
will take place in the library in the Student Union
Center, Patrick Hall.

"Violence Against Women Awareness Week" is spon-
sored by the MU Women's Center, the Psychology
Department, Office of Student Activities, Contemporary
Issues Committee, Panhellenic Council, United
Methodist Student Society, Women's Center and Hun-
tington chapters of NOW. Details on programs may be
obtained by calling the Women's Center at 3112.

Music Dept. schedules recitals

Kenneth Marchant, assistant professor of music, will
present a free public recital at 8 p.m. Monday, April 9,
Smith Recital Hall. The program will include works by
Brahms, Rachmaninoff, Debussy, and Litz.

Jane Smith presents the music, and Linda Eskin,
instrutor, will be soloists for the orchestra under the
direction of the Symphonic Concert by the Choir at 8 p.m.
Tuesday, April 10, in Smith Recital Hall. Donald W. Kendall, professor of music, is the director.

The faculty duo from Alderson-Broaddus College will
come to Marshall for a recital at 8 p.m. Wednesday,
April 11, in Smith Recital Hall. The event is free and open
to the public.

JUDICIAL BOARD MEMBERS

Faculty members and students are needed to serve on
the 1984 Judicial Board. This Board is responsible for
hearing disciplinary cases.

Reservations for the tasting dinner at 5 p.m. may be
d made by calling the International Students Office, 2379.
No tickets will be sold at the door, but tickets may be
picked up at the door. Tickets for the dinner, featuring
international dishes prepared by the students, will be
$5 for adults and $2.50 for children ages 6 through 17.
Children under six will be admitted free.

For information on programs and entertainment offered by the Student Activities of the University, please contact Rita Mann at 2378.

MU international students sponsor 'tasting dinner' April 15

The Marshall University International Students will hold an "International Festival" in Memorial Student
Center on Sunday, April 15, highlighted by exhibits, a
tasting dinner and a program of dances, songs and music.

The exhibition area adjoining the Don Morris Room will
be open at 3 p.m. and international students will be pre-
sent to discuss the customs and handiwork of their native land.

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Excused absences...

Absences have been excused by the respective college
deans for the following:

MARCH 29-31-MU Golf Team
MARCH 30-31-Judy Lowe, Cindy Parkey and Tracey Rutherford
APRIL 1-4-MU Women's Track Team
APRIL 1-4, 9-12-2, 15-18-John Neugebauer
APRIL 5-12-21-Herbert Knudsen, Cynthia Steinmetz
APRIL 5-12-21-Debra Wassum, Jane Oubreff,
APRIL 5-12-21-Mark Caldwell, Doug Reynolds, Robert Drake, Jim Thornton, John Rhodes, and Dan Hazar.