Faculty & staff achievements, activities. . .

DR. NANCY STUMP, assistant professor of French, was awarded one of the 35 scholarships given to the American Association of the Teachers of French by the French government. Dr. Stump will spend the month of July in Avignon studying French culture.

JANE F. EVANS, who studied English, with students Andy Evans and Larry Hart, conducted a poetry workshop on April 23 for a 5th-grade class from Buffalo (Wayne) Elementary School.

Ten faculty and students from the Department of Biological Sciences attended the 99th annual meeting of the Association of Southeastern Biologists April 10-13 at Middle Tennessee State University. Both students and faculty presented research papers.

DR. DONALD L. HALL, assistant professor of counseling and rehabilitation, presented two seminars at the April 16-18 State Headstart Conference at Cedar Lakes.

Honorary degrees

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Regents in 1976 to assume leadership of the fledgling Marshall School of Medicine. Under his guidance, the school earned the necessary accreditation approvals of the Liaison Committee on Medical Education to receive federal assistance through the Veterans Administration. He then organized the faculty and staff, arranged for facilities and equipment and developed working agreements with Huntington hospitals and physicians.

The school has progressed from a "paper organization" to a fully-accrual entity which will mark its fifth class this spring.

In 1977, he announced plans to retire a year ago in order to give the university adequate time to select his successor as vice president for health sciences and dean of the University School of Medicine. Since then, he has been active in the Huntington community.

A native of Billings, Montana, Coon received his B.S. degree from North Dakota State College in 1942 and his M.D. degree from the University of Chicago in 1944.

He has held faculty appointments at Columbia University, the University of Vermont and the University of Michigan, serving on the staff of the University of Michigan Cancer Research Center, including five years as the director of the School of Allied Health Sciences and associate dean of the Division of Health Sciences.

Before coming to West Virginia in 1976, he was dean of the proposed School of Medicine at the University of Maine.

Coon, a pathologist, has served as president of the American Board of Pathology, and of the American Society of Clinical Pathologists and as chairman of the National Committee for Careers in Medical Technology. He received the 1984 Distinguished Service Award from the American Society of Clinical Pathologists and the College of American Pathologists. He was awarded honorary degrees by the University of Maine in 1981 and North Dakota State University in 1982. He also received the 1974 Distinguished Service Award from the Vermont State Medical Society.

Coon and his wife, Judy, are the parents of three children.

The seminars were "Developing Assertive Behavior" and "Raising Children to Like Themselves."

Dr. ANNA NAKAIL, professor of physics, has been appointed to the Committee on International Education of the American Association of Physics Teachers. She was invited to be a member of the committee to nominate officers for the Association of AAPT Section Representatives from the United States and Canada.

DR. BRADFORD R. DEVOS, professor of music, was elected to the College of American Musicological Society at its spring meeting April 20 in Pittsburgh.

DR. FRANK W. FICKENS, Research Coordinating Unit, presented a talk to the annual meeting of the West Virginia Virginal Guidance Association on "No Lemons Needeed - Software Evaluation." The meeting was held April 18 in Charleston. Dickens also was recently elected president of the Marshall chapter of Phi Delta Kappa.


DR. JOHN W. FOSTER, associate professor of microbiology, co-authored with doctoral student Michelle Spectorsky a paper which received a second-place award of the National Student Research Forum held April 10-12 in Galveston, Texas. The paper was "Stress-regulated genetic loci in Salmonella typhiurum." HARRIET TUCKER, part-time instructor in music, was adjudicator for competitive piano auditions for the Fortico Football Band. Tucker has resumed her teaching career at Marshall College.

JANE F. WELLS, assistant professor of English, and student Leona Wood attended the James Wright Poetry Festival held at the University of Virginia May 1-3, 1984.

C. ROBERT BARNETT, professor in the Department of HPER, and Karl Hill, WPWT-TV producer, presented two programs in the Marshall School of Medicine lecture series. "Pro Football: Once a Small-Time Sport," the April 19 presentation to students, was followed the next afternoon by "The Big Time Sport." The April 20 presentation to students, was the documentary "Republic," directed by John F. Foster.

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Dr. Nitzschke, Gould on arts board

Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke and Acting Vice President for Academic Affairs, Mary Lou Gould have accepted leadership positions on the board of the new River Cities Cultural Council. Dr. Nitzschke will serve as the vice chairman representing West Virginia, and Dr. Gould will be the council's president. Also named to the board was Martha Woodward, part-time English Department faculty member and Board of Education member (and wife of David Woodward, professor of history). The council's goal is to nurture the arts in the Huntington-Ashland-Belpre area. It expects a budget next year of about $250,000.

Choral Union presents sacred music

A program of great sacred choruses, arias and famous pieces from oratorios will be presented by the Choral Union under the direction of Marshall associate professor of music Dr. Joseph E. Line at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 5, in Smith Recital Hall.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

**Concerts and Recitals**
- **Concert of Choral Literature**
  - May 12, 7:30 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Soprano Renay Conlin sings in recital**
  - May 13, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Soprano to give recital**
  - May 15, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Concord Trio returns May 13**
  - May 13, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Concert of Chamber Music**
  - May 14, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Concert by the New Orleans String Quartet**
  - May 15, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Casta accepts Morehead post**
  - May 15, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Soprano to give recital**
  - May 15, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Concert of Chamber Music**
  - May 16, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Concert by the New Orleans String Quartet**
  - May 17, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Casta accepts Morehead post**
  - May 17, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Soprano to give recital**
  - May 18, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Concert of Chamber Music**
  - May 19, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Concert by the New Orleans String Quartet**
  - May 20, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Casta accepts Morehead post**
  - May 20, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Soprano to give recital**
  - May 21, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Concert of Chamber Music**
  - May 22, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Concert by the New Orleans String Quartet**
  - May 23, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Casta accepts Morehead post**
  - May 23, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Soprano to give recital**
  - May 24, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Concert of Chamber Music**
  - May 25, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Concert by the New Orleans String Quartet**
  - May 26, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Casta accepts Morehead post**
  - May 26, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Soprano to give recital**
  - May 27, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Concert of Chamber Music**
  - May 28, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Concert by the New Orleans String Quartet**
  - May 29, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Casta accepts Morehead post**
  - May 29, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Soprano to give recital**
  - May 30, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.
- **Concert of Chamber Music**
  - May 31, 8 p.m., Smith Recital Hall; free admission.

**24 Receive Maier Awards for writing**

Awards totaling $5,900 were presented to 24 Marshall University students and three Huntington high-school students who were winners of the William J. Maier Writing and Latin Cup competitions. The competitions are sponsored by Marshall's departments of English and Classical Studies.

The awards, established to recognize and encourage excellence in writing and Latin scholarship, were presented April 24 by Edward H. Maier, president of the Sarah and Pauline Maier Scholarship Foundation Inc. of Charleston.

The writing competition winners were:
- Freshman essay: First place ($500), Cheryl Metz of Letart; second place ($400), Herb Hively of Dunbar; third place ($300), Michael Kaar of Huntington; honorable mentions ($100 each), Stephanie Young of Hamlin, Karen L. Wilmoth of Huntington and Michael Broztie of Huntington.
- Upper-division research, analysis or criticism: First place ($200), Cheryl Koch of Haverstown; second place ($150), Richard H. Hare of Huntington; third place ($100), Jane Friddle of Charleston.
- Upper-division personal essay: ($150), Rachel C. Smith of St. Albans.
- Fiction: First place ($250), Glenn Lowe of Huntington; second place ($200), Tom Bailey of Huntington; third place ($150), Anna Redd of Charleston; fourth place ($100), Richard Sullivan of Huntington.
- Poetry: First place ($200), Mary Sansom of Wayne; second place ($150), Lee Wood of Fayetteville; third place ($100), John Harrell of Wheeling.
- Special award: Drama ($150), Kimberly Harbour of Xenova.
- Graduate English papers: First place ($350), Sally Stull of Russell, Ky.; second place ($250), Glenn Lowe of Huntington; third place ($200), Robert Cox of Jenkins, Ky.

**Invitation**

A reception honoring Dr. Robert W. Coon, retiring vice president for health sciences and dean of the School of Medicine, and Mrs. Coon, will be held Thursday, May 9, from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Shawkey Room of Memorial Student Center. All members of the Marshall University community are cordially invited to attend.

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Karen Simpkins to visit USSR

Dr. Karen Li Simpkins, assistant professor of sociology and anthropology at Marshall University, has accepted an invitation to be part of a scientific delegation selected to study rehabilitative medical practices in the Soviet Union.

Dr. Simpkins said the three-week visit, scheduled for next October, is being co-sponsored by the U.S. Department of State and the Soviet Ministry of Health. The group will visit major medical centers, universities, research centers and clinical facilities in cities and rural areas throughout the country. Dr. Simpkins said she will be able to prepare for her trip due to the support of the UFPR Department, extension 3106.

**CPSA SOCIETY AIDS MU STUDENTS**

Marshall University accounting majors graduating this year will be able to prepare for their "Uniform Certified Public Accountancy" examination by reviewing copies of the November 1984 test and the unanswerable questions. The West Virginia Society of Certified Public Accountants, through its Accounting Education Foundation, presented Marshall University accounting majors graduating this year 125 copies of exam questions, valued at more than $400. Making the presentation to Dr. Robert Godfrey, right, MU Accounting Department chairman, was Herbert G. Diamond Jr. of Huntington, a partner in the firm of Diamond, Sunderland and Company, CPAs. (Photo by Rick Haye)