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Dr. Nitzschke selected for academic freedom award

Marshall University President Dale Nitzschke and the graduate dean at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas will receive the Alexander Meiklejohn Award for defense of Academic Freedom tomorrow (June 15) for their courage in opposing faculty evaluation procedures proposed by the Nevada Board of Regents.

The award, which has not been presented since 1978, will be given to Nitzschke and Dr. James F. Adams, at the 70th annual meeting of the American Association of University Professors in Washington, D.C.

The Meiklejohn Award, one of the nation's most prestigious awards in higher education, is presented to a college of university administrator or a board of trustees in recognition of an outstanding contribution to academic freedom.

Previous recipients of the award include University of Notre Dame President Theodore M. Hesburgh, Rutgers University President Kenneth J. Warren, and Dr. Alexander Meiklejohn, who was the award's namesake.

Millers endow chair in MU College of Business

An Illinois corporate executive and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. R.G. Miller Jr., have endowed Marshall University's College of Business with its first distinguished chair through a $250,000 gift to the MU Foundation.

Announcement of the establishment of the Mr. and Mrs. R.G. Miller Jr. Distinguished Chair in Business (Accounting) was made jointly by MU President Dale F. Dockter and Marshall Foundation Executive Director Bernard Queen.

The Miller chair becomes Marshall's second endowed chair. Earlier, the Gannett Distinguished Chair in Journalism was established within the College of Liberal Arts by the Gannett Foundation.

"The Miller chair is right in the forefront of what we hope will be many such enhancements to Marshall's educational program," said Dr. Nitzschke. "And coming from a pair of alumni, this endowment program becomes even more special," he added.

"Mr. and Mrs. Miller's support of their alma mater is truly to be commended," said Dr. Queen. "It is a significant contribution to the university and one we hope will encourage others to follow suit," he added.

The Foundation director said he expected the chair would be filled in the fall of 1986.

Miller, a 1942 graduate of Marshall who earned his B.S. degree while working full-time for Huntington Alloys, is president and chief executive officer of the Chicago-based Elgin National Industries, Inc., and of Roberts & Schaefer Co.

His wife is the former Sara Lee Marple, daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. A.L. Marple of Huntington, and attending Marshall University. The Millers reside in Wilmette, Ill., and are the parents of a daughter, Mrs. James (Becky) Dockter.

A native of Chicago, Miller moved to Huntington at an early age and was educated in the Cabell County schools. After graduating from Marshall, he was commissioned as an officer in the U.S. Navy and served on the staffs of Admirals D.P. Moon and I.N. Keland, assisting in the planning and implementation of the invasions of Normandy, Southern France, the Philippines and Okinawa.

Miller joined Roberts & Schaefer Co., Engineers and Contractors, in 1946 and was assigned later to the firm's Huntington office as sales engineer. He became president of the company in 1963. A corporate merger in 1969 resulted in the formation of Elgin National Industries and Miller was elected a vice president and director of the new company. He became president and CEO in 1972.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller were honored for their contribution last month at the John Marshall Society annual dinner, a gathering of Marshall's major contributors.

FORMER RESIDENTS ENDOW CHAIR

Mr. and Mrs. R.G. Miller Jr., formerly of Huntington, have endowed a chair in accounting within the Marshall University's College of Business with a gift of $250,000. The Millers' contribution was recognized recently at the annual dinner of the John Marshall Society at which Kermit E. McGinnis, left, president of the MU Foundation, presented Mr. and Mrs. Miller with an artist's sketch of Old Main. (Marshall University photo by Rick Haye)
Forum season memberships available at half-price

A one-man show, a musical revue and film visits to the Orient, Europe's "Teacup" countries, the Riviera, Australia, Spain and Scotland will be presented on the 1984-85 Forum Division, according to Marshall Artists Series, MU Cultural Events Coordinator Nancy P. Hindley.

Season memberships for all eight Forum programs are available at a cost of $28 for adults and $14 for youth 17 and under. MU employees may purchase season tickets at half price. Additional ticket information may be obtained by calling the Artists Series Office at extension 6656.

Opening the Forum on Sept. 10 is Ed Metzger and his one-man show, "Albert Einstein - The Practical Bohemian," which, according to critics, draws on the gentle humor and sensitivity of Einstein to reveal a warm human being and philosopher.

On Oct. 10, photographer-lecturer Gene Wiancko will present his travel documentary, "Seven Wonders of the Orient," which shows the richly colorful pageantry and culture of the people of Japan, Korea and the North China Seas.

On Nov. 8, Frank Klicar will provide the narrative for a film on Europe's undiscovered countries, taking his audience to the "Teacup" countries of Andorra, Liechtenstein, Luxemburg, San Marino, Malta and inside the Vatican.

"Riviera Ports of Call" with Chris Borden will be the next stop on the Forum's travel tour, scheduled for Dec. 4. Saint Tropez, Cannes, Nice, Monaco and Portofino are among the ports of call.

"On Broadway," a musical revue featuring the husband and wife team of Jack and Sally Jenkins, is scheduled for Jan. 22. The production will include songs from musicals of yesterday and today.

On March 4, subscribers will be able to tour - by film - Australia, where sheep still outnumber the people 11 to 1. Among the highlights are scenes of the modern cities, the vast outback country, and the iron pits in western Australia, plus footage of the loveable koala bears.

Thayer Soule on April 11 will take his audience to Spain, a country rich in history and art, for a tour featuring glimpses of the cities, castles, the Alhambra, olive groves, bright beaches and snow-covered mountains.

Closing the Forum's 1984-85 season on May 1 will be another film lecture, "Scotland" with Sherilyn Mentes and featuring scenes of the Borders' gentle hills, the pine forests and the Highlands' bleak moors, as well as the islands with their distinctive personalities.

All programs are at 8 p.m. and are scheduled for Old Main Auditorium, with the exception of "On Broadway" which will be presented in Smith Recital Hall.

National recognition earned for Henderson Center design

The design of Henderson Center, Marshall University's multi-purpose physical education complex, has earned its architects national recognition, MU President Dale F. Nitzschke has been advised.

Designed by The Eggers Group of New York and Robert J. Bennett Associates of Morgantown, the facility is featured in the American School and University 1983 Architectural Portfolio of award winning and other outstanding school and university buildings. The design team was composed of David L. Finci, principal and C. William Eilers Jr., principal-in-charge. Four color photographs of Henderson Center's exterior, two cross section drawings of the interior and a description of the building appear in the publication.

Henderson Center was designed to expand and update Marshall's cramped physical education and intercollegiate athletics facilities as a major addition, wrapping around Gullickson Hall which underwent renovations to integrate it into the new facility.

The university has received a certificate from The American School and University publication recognizing Henderson Center's selection for the design honor.
Sarah Denman named assistant dean of CC

Sarah N. Denman, a Marshall University Community College faculty member, has been named assistant dean of that college, Dr. David Wilkin, dean, announced today.

The appointment is effective July 1, Wilkin said. "Mrs. Denman was the overwhelming choice of the search committee members who reviewed the credentials of more than 40 applicants," Wilkin said. "I am looking forward to working with her in this new administrative role."

As assistant dean, Mrs. Denman will be responsible for various administrative activities - writing of reports, new program and grant proposals - and for the development of off-campus instructional programs for Lincoln, Mason and Wayne counties.

Nitzschke honored

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University President Mason W. Gross and the Board of Governors, and University of California President Clark Kerr and the Board of Regents.

Late in 1982, the Nevada BOR proposed a new code for the system's seven institutions which would have severely restricted academic freedom and tenure in the system if enacted.

Under the leadership of Nitzschke, then vice president for academic affairs at UNLV, and Adams, efforts to oppose the new code were mounted. Supported by faculty senates and AAUP leaders in Las Vegas, the pair of administrators attacked the code.

According to the AAUP, Nitzschke took the lead in preparing a statement in which he discussed specific recommendations and in which he recognized the need for a process, but one "which is fair, which addresses the issues, and which has the support of those whom it governs." The statement was signed by several Las Vegas administrators.

Adams also played a key role in the battle, signing the statement and voicing opposition publicly through the media and in debates which helped sway public opinion.

The two were successful in removing most of the code's unpleasant features, but the Nevada BOR then acted against the leaders. Nitzschke's resignation was sought and obtained, while Adams was notified that his contract would not be renewed. He currently is fighting this action in federal court.

Discounts for theme parks available to MU employees

Vacationing Marshall employees are reminded that information on various discount packages for theme parks is available from the Personnel Office, Old Main 207.

In addition to the previously announced discounts for visits to Sea World and Disneyworld, a new program has been added for Opryland, a musical theme park in Nashville, Tenn.

Opryland features 20 thrilling rides, musical productions and television show tapings. There is no limit on the number of $2 discount coupons good for one or two day admissions to the showpark.

Her duties also will include student advising and assisting in the preparation of the Community College's section of MU's self-study report to the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

An associate professor of communications, Mrs. Denman joined the faculty in 1975, having previously taught at Ceredo-Kenova High School. The Kenova native earned the bachelor and master's degrees from Marshall.

She is a candidate for the Doctor of Education degree in higher education administration under the cooperative program offered by Marshall, West Virginia University and the West Virginia College of Graduate Studies.

This past year, Mrs. Denman was director of SCORES (Search Committee on Recruiting Excellent Students) and coordinated MU's Academic Festival. She also has served as chairman of the university's Academic Planning and Standards Committee and was a member of the MU Presidential Search and Screening Committee.

NEW STATE CONTRACT

The State Purchasing Contract for steel office furniture is now available in the MU Purchasing Office, located in Old Main 206. This is a new contract, according to Dorothy Smith, purchasing director.

Music preparatory program summer sessions open June 18

Musical opportunities for children and young adults will be available through MU's Summer Music Preparatory Program, according to Mila Markun, director.

The first session is scheduled from June 18 through July 12 and will include "Music for Moppets," which is a special program for 4 and 5 year olds; beginning and intermediate piano classes for children 6 through 11, and a beginning woodwind class for children aged 10 or older.

Beginning and intermediate level string classes in violin, viola, cello and string bass will be offered, including a beginning string program for youngsters age 3 to 7 and an advanced program for those 8 or older. Individual instruction will be available in several areas, according to Mrs. Markun.

Additional information on the summer programs may be obtained by calling the Music Department, extension 3117.

Campus job opening...

The Personnel Office has announced the following campus employment opportunities:

Coordinator for Student Activities/Organization, Student Affairs, pay grade 10, application deadline July 6.

Career Technician, Placement Center, pay grade 8, deadline June 15.

Secretary IV, School of Nursing, pay grade 6, deadline June 15.

Offset Pressman, Graphic Services, pay grade 7, deadline June 15.

For additional information or to apply, contact the MU Personnel Office, Old Main 207, or call 696-6455.
MU faculty and staff achievements, activities... 

DR. BILLY RAY DUNN, associate professor of vocational administration, was West Virginia’s delegate to the 16-state AVA Region I conference, May 4-5 in St. Michael’s, Md. Dunn is president-elect of the West Virginia Vocational Association.

NICOLAS KONTOS, associate professor of economics; DR. ROGER L. ADKINS, assistant professor of economics; DR. R. MORRIS COATS, instructor of economics, and DR. GORDON HENDERSON, instructor of political science, attended a conference on “Planning America: Government or Market?” held in Washington, D.C., April 27-28 and sponsored by the Cato Institute.

CHARLES F. GRUBER, assistant professor of social studies, was the speaker for a Woman’s Club of Huntington luncheon on April 18. His topic was “The Crisis in Central America.”

CAPT. TED O. KOSTICH, assistant professor of military science, received the Army Commendation Medal in May for his meritorious performance of duties at Marshall, where he has been assigned for the past three years while completing his M.B.A. degree. He has been reassigned to Fort Lewis, Wash.

CAROLYN ENDICOTT, medical school word processing supervisor, received an associate award from the KYOVA Chapter of the American Business Women’s Association at its May meeting.

DR. ANTHONY BOWDLER, professor of medicine, was the joint author of a paper, “Abrogation of calcium exclusion by erythrocytes under hypnotic stress,” which appeared in a recent Scandinavian Journal of Haematology. He also has been notified that his abstract, “Resistive pulse spectroscopy as an indicator of erythrocyte deformity: control studies with latex particles,” has been published in Clinical Research, April 1984.

DR. JOHN W. LARSON, professor of chemistry, was co-author of a paper entitled “Chelation of Gas-Phase Anions. An Ion Cyclotron Resonance Study of Cooperative Binding to Fluoride and Chloride Ions” that appeared in the March 15 issue of the Journal of Physical Chemistry.

DR. DAVID L. DAWSON, associate professor of anatomy, and DR. CAROL SCOTT-CONNER, assistant professor of surgery, presented a paper at the inaugural meeting of the American Association of Clinical Anatomists, May 17-19, at the Mayo Clinic. Their paper was entitled “Distal pancreatectomy with splenic preservation: the anatomic basis for a meticulous operation.” Dr. Scott-Conner also has received a $16,000 VA grant to study healing following colon surgery. Dawson will serve as collaborator.

KENNETH R. REFFEITT, library technical assistant for Gifts and Exchange, was a participant in the dedication of a new gateway and garden in memory of Princess Pocahontas at St. George’s Anglican Church, Gravesend, Kent, England, on Easter Sunday. Reffeitt, the national treasurer of the Degree of Pocahontas of the Improved Order of Red Men, made preliminary arrangements with church officials on a previous trip for the memorial to be established as a national project of the lodge. While in Great Britain on an 11-day visit this spring, Reffeitt toured Stonehenge, Edinburgh, Grasmere, London and other areas.

DR. STEBBINS B. CHANDOR, Pathology Department chairman, served as program chairman for “Practical Applications of Lymphocyte Typing for Pathologists,” the annual spring meeting of the New Jersey Society of Pathologists.

DR. CHARLES W. JONES, Continuing Medical Education director, has been elected to a three-year term on the Health Sciences Consortium board of directors.

BEVERLY W. MCCOY, University Relations health science writer, won first place for news releases in the statewide writing competition sponsored by the West Virginia Press Women. She also received an honorable mention in the brochure competition. Judges were journalism faculty members from Pennsylvania State University.

LT. COL. JOHN A. MARSHOK, Military Science Department chairman, has been recommended for the Army Meritorious Service Medal for exemplary performance of duty while at Marshall. Marshock will be reassigned to the Army’s Operational Test and Evaluation Agency, Falls Church, Va.

DR. ROBERT P. ALEXANDER, College of Business dean, DR. ROBERT W. COON, School of Medicine dean, and DR. CHARLES I. JONES, Occupational, Adult and Safety Education Department chairman, were recognized May 28 by the Veterans Committee for Civic Improvement for their efforts and contributions toward civic betterment in the interest of the community’s veterans.

BEN MILLER, assistant professor of music, presented a percussion clinic as part of a “Weekend with the Experts” for Ohio Music Services and the Slingerland Drum Co., last month. He also held high school percussion clinics in Lynchburg and Dayton and was guest conductor for the 15th annual Adena Spring Festival of Bands in Frankfort, Ohio.

Revisions to ‘Greenbook’ due

A supplement to The Greenbook, the faculty manual, is now in preparation. Recommendations for corrections, additions or revisions may be submitted to Dr. A.M. Tyson, clo Morrow Library, Campus Mail, or by calling 6494, no later than Friday, June 22.

Science Hall building closed

The Science Hall is now closed to all faculty, students and staff with the following exceptions: Dr. Frank Binder, Dr. Ron Gain, Dr. Donald Tarter, Dr. Ralph Oberly, Dr. E. Bowie Kahle, Vickie Crager, Sue King and Karl Shanholtzer.

According to Science College Dean E.S. Hanrahan, no other exceptions will be made. If there is an emergency need to access offices or materials, individuals should contact Shanholtzer, extension 6737.

Art work by students on exhibit

Art work by students of June Kilgore, department chairman, and Mike Cornfeld, professor, will be on display in the Birke Art Gallery through June 29.

The exhibit will include painting, drawings, watercolors, mixed media, handmade paper, woodcuts, monoprints, silk screens, etchings and collagraphs.

The gallery, located on Smith Hall’s first floor, is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.