MU faculty and staff achievements, activities

DR. ROBERT B. BELSHE, acting chairman of the Department of Medicine, has completed a textbook on viruses, Textbook of Human Virology, published by PSC Publishing Company, Inc. Among the volume's 52 contributors are six MU faculty: MAURICE A. MUFSON, professor, DR. EDWIN L. ANDERSON, associate professor; BERNARD SHELDON, DR. GEOFFREY L. CORSE, and DR. WILLIAM C. GrahAAM, assistant professors, all of the Medicine Department; and C. TERRY F. WENDLER, associate professor of microbiology. Also providing material were Dr. Karen N. Dansby, medical resident, and Dr. Lee P. Van Voris, fellow faculty member.

DR. HOWARD A. SLAATTE, professor of philosophy, has been appointed by the Institute for Advanced Philosphic Research to a national committee to select honorees and award winners for the Realia Honors competition for persons who have contributed to the advancement of philosophy. Slaatte has twice been a finalist in the international competition for answers to contemporary and future philosophy problems as related to a realistic perspective on life.

DR. JAMES E. DOUGLASS, professor of chemistry, attended a workshop on pulsed nuclear magnetic resonance spectrometry held May 14-17 at the University of Wisconsin, Champaign-Urbana.

NEWCOMERS

New to the campus are: WILMA ARLENE FRANK, secretary, Educational Media; RHONDA M. RIDER, secretary, Student Development; SHERI L. BAILEY, secretary, Surgery Department; DONNIE LDU BAILL, secretary, Financial Aid; ANNA M. ZAPPAPA, secretary, Psychology, School of Science; Registrar's Office; PATRICIA DIANE DILLARD, accounting clerk, School of Medicine; JOHN W. BAILEY, painter, Plant Operations; STEVEN RANDALL ALEXANDER, building service worker.

Welcome to Marshall!

Memorial fund established

A memorial fund has been established in memory of Ronald Deutsch, who was slain in a hold-up attempt July 21 in New York. Deutsch was the brother of Dr. Leonard Deutsch, professor of philosophy. Friends may send contributions to: The Ronald Deutsch Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 361, Staten Island, N.Y. 10314.

Appreciation expressed

I am deeply grateful for the flowers, visitations, and other expressions of kindness on the part of the Marshall community relative to the recent death of my mother, Mrs. Mary Rose. My sincere thanks to each of you.

Walter C. Felty
Professor of Educational Media

LATER STUDENTS RECEIVE AWARDS

William J. Maier Jr., Latin Cup and Latin Scholarship

Second place was awarded to Marshall University Classics Studies Department, presented to four secondary school students. Lisa Elkins, right, a Huntington East High School graduating senior, was the recipient of the first Maier Latin Scholarship, a $2,000 award to study Latin at Marshall University. Winners of the Latin Cup competition and other program participants, from left, Brenda F. Kurland, John Adams Junior High School in Charleston, second place; Melissa L. Garner, John Adams, first place; Dr. Charles Lloyd, MU associate professor of classical studies; Nancy D. Maack, St. Joseph Central High School of Huntington, third place, and Edwin H. Maier, who presented the awards to his late father, is the president of the Maier and Pauline Maier Scholarship Foundation of Charleston.

Footpath Dance Company to perform here Saturday

A full company concert will highlight the two-week residency of Footpath Dance Company Saturday, July 28, at 8 p.m. in Old Main Auditorium. Founded in 1976, Footpath Dance Company based in Cleveland, Ohio, will perform works choreographed by its artistic director, Alice Rubinstein, and Tamar Kitchens.

Tickets at $4 general admission and $2 youth under 18 are available through the Institute for the Arts, Old Main 112, or at the door before the performance.

Founded in 1976, Footpath Dance Company has grown to be Ohio's leading dance company. Under the direction of Ms. Rubinstein the ensemble of six dancers has received national acclaim as both a dance touring company and a classical ballet company. The works performed explore a range of emotions and bring new ideas to the dance world. The company's style has been recognized for its humor, vigor and skillfulness.

Footpath is in residence for two weeks at Marshall teaching modern, ballet and jazz to Marshall college and adult students. Students are still being accepted for the second week, July 29 through August 3. Registration will be held at 7:30 p.m. at the College of Education, 112, or at the door before the performance.

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Dr. Allen Mori to head College of Education

Dr. Allen A. Mori has been selected as the new dean of Marshall University's College of Education, MU President Dale F. Nitzschke announced.

Mori, 37, a native of Pennsylvania, currently is professor of special education and counseling and educational psychology and foundations at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV). He also served as chairman of the Faculty Senate at UNLV in 1983-84.

Mori will assume his responsibilities as dean about Sept. 1, Nitzschke said. "The College of Education deanship is a major appointment for this university and I'm pleased that Allen Mori has accepted the position," Nitzschke said. "We have been in the trenches together in Las Vegas during the most difficult of times and I know Dr. Mori as an extremely strong faculty advocate and leader - a man of great integrity."

"The important fact, however, is that he is being appointed because he has been thoroughly evaluated and recommended, according to the committee, "to adjust salaries for those faculty members whose 1984-85 salaries have fallen farthest behind those of other institutions."" We are very much aware that we are going to have to continue working to get faculty salaries up to where they should be. And we're going to do just that," Nitzschke added.

Nitzschke noted that in addition to mandating a 7 1/2 percent increase for all full-time employees in 1984-85, the State Legislature passed Senate Bill 612, which provides for minimum salary levels for faculty members based on rank and experience at the state's colleges and universities.

Implementation of the 7 1/2 percent increase and Senate Bill 612 provisions added an average of $2,264 to Marshall faculty salaries.

As a result of the increase up to study faculty salaries then recommended an average additional increase of $557 for 274 faculty members, an average additional increase of $1,011 for 44 administrative faculty. The additional raises increased from three-tenths of one percent to 30.8 percent.

The increases recommended by the committee were designed, according to the committee, "to adjust salaries of those faculty members whose 1984-85 salaries were under the implementation of Senate Bill 612 fall short of the salaries consistent with their rank and years in rank at other institutions."

The study committee's second objective -- "to provide some relief for members of the upper two faculty ranks, whose students have fallen farther behind those of other institutions" -- resulted in an additional annual increase of $10 for each year of service at Marshall for professors and associate professors.

Implementation of the committee's recommendations was made possible by a $156,751 salary adjustment allocation from the Board of Regents for this purpose, Nitzschke said.

Salary adjustments recommended by the committee ranged from 10.34 percent to 30.84 percent. For the faculty as a whole, total salary increases ranged from the mandated 7 1/2 percent to 57 percent. Marshall faculty salaries now range from $15,327 to $41,407.
Mori experienced in special ed, grant writing

Carolyn B. Hunter named SCORES program director

Carolyn B. Hunter, director of the Developmental and General Studies Division of Marshall University’s Community College, has been named director of SCORES – Search College of Regionale student. She will continue her duties at Marshall, MU Provost Ovel E. Jones Jr. has announced.

Mrs. Hunter, who holds associate professor rank, fills a vacancy in the position created with the appointment of the previous director, Sarah Denman, as assistant dean of the Community College.

SCORES, formed in 1977, involves faculty members from every campus academic department in the university’s recruitment of the academically superior students,” Dr. Jones said.

“Among Mrs. Hunter’s duties will be coordinating the university’s seventh annual Academic Festival in which high school students from the region compete for scholarships,” he added.

Mrs. Hunter joined the university’s Special Services staff as a reading specialist in 1972 and was appointed to the Community College faculty in 1973. She previously had taught in the College of Education and as an Adult Basic Education instructor.

A native of Huntington, she earned her B.A. degree magna cum laude in Secondary Education and her M.A. degree in Reading from Marshall. She is currently a doctoral candidate in the Ed.D. program offered jointly by Marshall and West Virginia University.

LOGAN ALUMNI CONTRIBUTE FUNDS

Nikki Bailey, right, president of the Logan County Chapter, Marshall University Alumni Association, recently presented MU Foundation Director Bernard Queen with a check for $2,200 earmarked for the National Direct Student Loan account. When matched by the federal program, the alumni chapter’s contribution will produce $21,800 in loan funds. Over the past 12 years, the Logan area alumni have contributed nearly $15,000 to be matched with NSDL funds through the annual scholarship banquet, spaghetti dinners and other fundraising events. During the 1983-84 academic year, 306 students from Logan County attended Marshall, with 103 of them receiving a total of $147,840 in financial aid. (Marshall University photo by Rick Hays)

Dr. John McKernan to read works at Galleries Sunday

Dr. John McKernan, professor of English and director of writing, will present a poetry reading at the Huntington Galleries on Sunday, Aug. 5, at 2 p.m.

He will read some earlier works dealing with the visual arts and present a series of new poems inspired by the art works in the Sydney and Frances Lewis Collection of 20th Century Art now on display at the Galleries.

Campus job openings...

The MU Personnel Office has announced the following openings on the Marshall campus.

Cashier III, Financial Affairs, pay grade 4, application deadline July 27.

Secretary II, School of Journalism, pay grade 4, application deadline, July 27.

Program Special, Special Services, pay grade 10, application deadline, Aug. 16.

For additional information or to apply, call the Personnel Office, extension 6455, or stop by the office located in Old Main 207.

THOUGHT...

Note too that a faithful study of the liberal arts humanizes character and permits it to be not to cruel.

-Ovid

Salaries...

Other salary increases beyond the 7.5 percent mandated by the Legislature include.

DIRECTIONS CENTER, the College of Business and several administrators, Nitzschke said.

Computer Center salaries were increased an average of 36 percent for 17 individuals in an attempt to “slow the erosion and turnover in Computer Center personnel,” Nitzschke said. Including the mandated 7.5 percent increase, the total increase for Computer Center Personnel is $102,000.

An earlier study had shown Marshall Computer Center salaries to be 36 percent behind those paid in similar positions at West Virginia University and the West Virginia Network for Educational Telecommunications (WVNET).

Nitzschke said he also had provided, through the use of $5,900 from unfilled administrative positions, additional increases for five of the six administrators reporting directly to him, bringing their average increases from the mandated 7.5 percent to 9.5 percent. Positions affected were provost, vice president for finance, director of development, director of athletics and director of university relations.

The dean of the School of Nursing was raised $16,700, $3,750 and $44,760, to bring her salary in line with those of the other academic deans, Nitzschke said.

He said the administrators’ salary increases were intended to bring those positions closer to national levels. “Salaries of our top administrators still are far from being competitive and that’s another problem we’re going to have to continue to address,” he said.

In another move to be more competitive, Nitzschke said an additional $125,543 had been restored to the College of Education to upgrade faculty positions. Five of the positions currently are vacant. Three of the nine are in Computer Science, three in Management, two in Accounting and one in Marketing.

Finally, Nitzschke said, two full-time assistant basketball coaches were increased to $25,000 each, using previously authorized authorizations for an additional 10 uniformly staff employees. In virtually all cases, these vital members of the campus community received only the 7.5 percent increase, although all of their salaries are too, are far below what they should be. Again, we’re going to have to work through the Staff Council, the Board of Regents’ Advisory Council of Classified Staff and with the Legislature to alleviate this serious situation,” Nitzschke added.

HELP!

Accounts Payable Division, Financial Affairs Office, is in need of campus employees. Any department with extra may send them to Accounts Payable, Old Main 202, or call extension 6489.