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# NEWSLETTER

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## MU/WVU awarded \$60,000 BOT grant

Dr. David Hatfield, assistant professor of English at Marshall University, and Dr. Thomas Sloane, assistant dean of student life and adjunct assistant professor of education at West Virginia University, have been awarded a \$60,000 grant from the University System of West Virginia Board of Trustees to develop and implement a project titled "Collaborative Composition and Rhetoric: Multimedia and Long-Distance Learning."

The purpose of the grant is to develop innovative technologies in improving basic skills instruction for students in the university system.

Hatfield and Sloane are developing an English composition course that will be taught on both campuses and linked via computer network. Hatfield said this will allow students and instructors to collaborate in real-time and

share writing, editing, comments, assessment and resources.

Students will work at computers and other students in the class and instructors at both campuses will be able to view the work as it is being done. Students and instructors also will be able to instantly communicate with each other.

Hatfield said students will have access to individual instructor tutoring, peer critiquing in small groups and multimedia instructional materials developed especially to enhance student skills in argumentative, analytical and research writing.

"This program will offer students computer assisted instruction in writing using the latest technological software, hardware and methodology to stimulate collaborative writing efforts, modeling of skills desired, meaningful and immediate instructor feedback and assessment and personalized writing instructional materials that are multimedia-based," said Hatfield.

The new course will allow students to develop argumentative, analytical and research writing skills through:

- Weekly real-time long-distance interaction with peers in small groups to stimulate giving and receiving critiques of students' own writing.

- Real-time long-distance interaction with instructors at Marshall and WVU both in a group and individual setting with a goal of providing feedback and comments on students' own writing.

- Remote, scheduled out-of-class access to multimedia

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## *Maier awards will be presented April 20*

Nineteen Marshall University students will receive cash awards for work entered in the William J. Maier Writing Competition during an awards ceremony on Tuesday, April 20, at 4 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge.

Twenty-three awards will be given for papers in different categories including freshman papers (research papers and non-research papers) and upper-division and graduate nonfiction prose, poetry and fiction, according to Dr. Joan Tyler Mead, chair of Marshall's English Department.

This year, due to increased funding from the Maier Foundation, the competition has been expanded to include papers from all departments in the Marshall University College of Liberal Arts. Previously the competition was limited to students in the MU English Department.

This is the first step in a four-year expansion of the program, according to Mead. By 1996, undergraduates from all of the university's schools and colleges will be able to participate in the competition.

Persons attending the awards ceremony will receive a booklet containing selected winning papers.

Edward H. Maier, president of the Sarah and Pauline Maier Foundation, also will present the Maier Latin Cup awards to area high school students and the Maier Latin Scholarship to a Marshall student.

The writing awards were established in 1973 after the late William J. Maier Jr. read an article on freshman composition by Marshall University professor John Teel in the National Review.

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## Scholars to meet here

Marshall University will host the 20th annual West Virginia Shakespeare and Renaissance Association Conference Thursday through Saturday, April 15-17.

Shakespearean scholars from throughout the United States will attend the conference, according to Edmund Taft, associate professor of English at Marshall.

Phyllis Rackin, professor of English at the University of Pennsylvania and incoming president of the Shakespeare Association of America, will make a presentation titled " 'Richard III': Engendering the Audience" at 4 p.m. Friday, April 16, in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge. Her presentation will be open to the public free of charge.

Taft said Rackin is generally regarded as one of the world's foremost experts on Shakespeare's history plays.

Among those scheduled to present papers are H.R. Coursen, director of education for the International Globe

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instructional materials developed for argumentative and research writing, consisting of didactic instruction as well as models of effective argument and research.

-- Access to research resources at both campuses through long-distance learning technology.

"In classrooms like this, the teacher usually ends up being a resource person," said Hatfield. "There is less

## Awards to be presented

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The awards recognize, reward and encourage excellence in writing by undergraduate and graduate students.

Latin awards were established by Maier in 1979 to repay, in some way, the special attention given to him by his high school Latin teacher. Maier credited this extra devotion to Latin and Latin students with helping him secure a scholarship to Harvard University.

High school students are presented the cash awards based on their scores on the College Board Latin Achievement Examination.

Maier Latin Sight-translation Contest awards also will be presented. The contest was created last year in conjunction with the West Virginia Junior Classical League Convention.

Each junior high school and high school represented at the convention could select one student to compete in each of the four levels of the contest. Students participated by translating Latin passages on sight.

William J. Maier was born in Clarksburg and attended school in Elkins, Wheeling and Huntington, where he graduated from high school at the age of 16. He received a scholarship to Harvard and became a Rhodes Scholar.

After graduating from Harvard Law School, Maier practiced law in Charleston and established natural gas and merchandise storage businesses. He later dropped the law practice to concentrate on the management of his assets.

Maier, and the Sarah and Pauline Maier Foundation which he established in 1958, contributed millions of dollars to educational purposes and institutions.

The awards program will be open to the public free of charge. To obtain further details contact Mead at Marshall University, 696-2441.

## Fulbright details available

Brochures on 1994-95 Fulbright Scholarship research and lecturing opportunities in Central and Eastern Europe, Central Eurasia, Africa, the Middle East, Asia, Latin America, the Caribbean and the Pacific are available in the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, Old Main Room 110.

The deadline for application is Aug. 1, 1993.

lecturing in the classroom and more attention on the students' activities and their writing. The students become the center of the classroom. They become the teachers, advisers and commentators. When you add the power of computing and multimedia resources, you get a powerful learning package."

The new course, tentatively titled Computer Assisted Composition, will be the equivalent of an English 102 course with three hours of credit. It will be offered for the first time in the spring 1994 semester.

Grant funds will be used for the purchase of the necessary hardware and software, faculty development and travel and evaluation of the demonstration project.

Hatfield said he believes this will be the first class in the state linked via computer network from two different sites.

"We are just in the development stage now and we still have a lot of details to work out," he said. "However, we are excited about the possibilities and opportunities programs like this will be able to provide in the future. I think there will be many more programs in various fields of study that will be able to utilize this technology once we have developed the system."

## Scholars meeting here

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Center, who will make a presentation on "Othello"; Sharon Beehler of Montana State University who will discuss "Macbeth," and Michael Friedman of the University of Scranton who will make a presentation on "The Two Gentlemen of Verona."

All paper presentations will be held in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge.

A free concert featuring "Renaissance," a Huntington based musical group directed by Janice Chandler Gold, will be held Friday at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

Also featured during the concert will be Marshall University students and faculty and a student trombone quartet called The Renaissance Rascals directed by Dr. John Mead of the MU Music Department. Marshall faculty performing in the concert include James Taggart, Joan Adkins, Leslie Petteys, David Castleberry and Leo Welch. Marshall students performing in the concert include Lisa E. Lawton, Gary Clarke, William Renzi, Kevin Rusciollelli and Sidney Tweel.

Three special sessions will be held Saturday in the Alumni Lounge: "Shakespeare's Stage History" will be presented from 8:30 to 10 a.m.; "Shakespeare Pedagogy" will be presented from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and "Teaching Shakespeare in High School" will be held from 1:30 to 3 p.m.

There will be a \$15 registration fee for the conference. Admission will be free for all secondary school teachers and Marshall undergraduate and graduate students.

To obtain further details contact Taft in the Marshall University English Department, 696-3155.

# Briefing for secretaries scheduled

The sixth annual Secretaries' Briefing produced by the American Management Association will be held at Marshall University on Wednesday, April 21, from 8 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. in the W. Don Morris Room in Memorial Student Center.

The program has been designed for all office support secretaries, executive secretaries, administrative assistants and aides, office managers, information processing coordinators and others who provide secretarial or administrative support for one or multiple bosses, according to Richard Hensley, director of continuing education in Marshall's Community and Technical College.

"This program will feature practical training that can be applied immediately back on the job," said Hensley.

Prior to the national AMA videoconference, Marshall's Office of Continuing Education and Department of Human Resources will sponsor a local program.

Registration will begin at 8 a.m. and be followed by welcoming remarks by Dr. F. David Wilkin, dean of the MU Community and Technical College, and Peggy Rowe of

## *Bloodmobile to be here*

The American Red Cross bloodmobile will be on the Marshall campus on Wednesday and Thursday, April 21-22, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Campus Christian Center.

There will be a raffle for items donated by area merchants and a floor contest for residence halls with the chance to win a \$75 pizza party during finals week. Donors also will be eligible for Greek Week points and the MU Public Safety Office will forgive two MU parking violations (donors must pick up validated forms at the bloodmobile site).

Joy Curry, public relations director for Tri-State Region Blood Services, said giving blood takes a little longer than an hour. The actual donation takes about 12 minutes.

Anyone who is 17 years of age or older, weighs at least 110 pounds and has not donated whole blood in the last 56 days is eligible to give blood.

Curry said the Red Cross needs to increase its blood inventory level to meet patient needs in nearly 60 hospitals served by the Tri-State Region Blood Services. "We are in need of all blood types," she said, "especially 'O' positive and 'O' negative."

## Crawford reception set

A reception in memory of Eugene Crawford, former assistant director of public safety, will be held Monday, April 12, at noon in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge.

The program will include information pertaining to the Eugene Crawford Memorial Scholarship, according to Dr. Donnalee Cockrille, interim associate dean of student activities.

Contributions to the scholarship fund are still being accepted and can be sent to The Marshall University Foundation.

the Tri-State Chapter of Professional Secretaries International.

A workshop titled "Humor: Serious Business for Today's Workers" will begin at 8:45 a.m.

The workshop will provide research and resources to support a philosophy of work that includes humor and provide strategies for the incorporation of humor in management, training and personal growth. It also will illustrate the relationship of humor to principle-centered and quality leadership and explore the parallel between laughter and learning.

Following lunch, the national AMA briefing will begin at 1 p.m. Topics will include: "Closing the Communication Gap Between Men and Women at Work," "Getting More Done--In Limited Time--For Multiple Bosses," "Dealing with Difficult Behavior" and "Real-Life Techniques for Managing Stress."

Several nationally prominent speakers and business owners and managers will take part in the briefing which will be moderated by Lee Thornton, an associate professor at Howard University, journalist and former White House correspondent for CBS News.

Participants will be able to question the featured speakers and presenters via telephone.

The program will end at 3 p.m. with closing remarks and a drawing for door prizes.

There will be a \$15 registration fee for MU employees which will include materials, lunch, refreshments and a continuing education unit certificate.

The registration deadline will be Monday, April 19.

To register or obtain further details contact Billie Weis in Marshall University's Office of Continuing Education, 696-3113.

## Wellness Walk planned

The Spring Wellness Walk, sponsored by the Department of Human Resources and Student Health Education Programs, will be held Wednesday, April 14.

It will start at Memorial Fountain on the Memorial Student Center Plaza and follow a course around the campus. Participants can register any time from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

A drawing will be held for prizes including one-year parking permits for a faculty member and a staff member and a \$100 gift certificate from the MU Bookstore for a student. Participants must walk at least one mile to be eligible for the drawing.

Prizes also will be awarded to the faculty member, staff member and student having the most walkers participate in the event on their behalf. Prizes will include free dinners, two football season tickets, a Walkman and a \$50 savings bond.

Tables will be set up to provide blood sugar tests, body fat measurements, hearing tests and blood pressure readings.

To obtain further details contact the Department of Human Resources or the Office of Student Health Education Programs.

# Senate favors ability to write checks

(The following report on the March 25 meeting of the Marshall University Faculty Senate was submitted by Dr. Christopher Dolmetsch, secretary.)

Minutes of the Feb. 25 and March 11 meetings were approved.

## Announcements:

1. Marshall President J. Wade Gilley has read or approved all recommendations except the recommendation on the continuation of the MA/MS degree in geography. According to Dr. Gilley, both were forwarded to the Board of Trustees without institutional recommendation. When questioning the possibility of further senate action to show our support to the board for the retention of both degree options, it was moved by Gillenwater and seconded by Sporny that: "The Senate Office will communicate to the Board of Trustees Graduate Program Review Committee our endorsement of both the MA and MS degrees in geography." The motion was approved.

2. Dr. Charles Lloyd (COLA) spoke briefly about the Writing-Across-the-Curriculum (WAC) Program starting this fall. Interested faculty should contact him, and must be available to attend a special workshop May 21-22.

3. Dr. Rainey Duke announced that the second component of the General Education Program would be diversifying and internationalizing the curriculum.

4. There was brief discussion of the appropriate time for the meeting of the new senate. It was moved by Dolmetsch and seconded by Del Nero to meet Thursday, May 6, at 3 p.m. for the purpose of electing officers, etc.

5. It was announced that the Executive Committee named Linda Wilkinson (CTC) and Randy Bobbitt (COLA) to join Philip Modlin on the Athletic Advisory Board and named Joan Mead (COLA) and James Taggart (COFA) to the Ad-Hoc Committee on Tenure. Also, upon a request from Steve Hensley for one additional faculty representative to the Americans With Disabilities Compliance Committee, the Executive Committee named Frank Gilliam (COS).

## Report of the University President:

President Gilley spoke briefly on the current activity of the West Virginia Legislature. He indicated that chances for a salary increase are "still alive" and that two bills dealing with the HEAT report have been introduced in committee. Both bills address some good and some not-so-good provisions.

He briefly mentioned the problem with the large projected increase in liability insurance premiums for the school. He also mentioned the new super education council being contemplated with the acronym of HOPE.

## ACF Report:

Dr. Bert Gross spoke briefly about legislative matters affecting higher education. Dr. Sawrey took this opportunity to remind senators that MU Day at the Legislature would be April 7.

## Suspending of the Agenda:

Brozik moved and Sporny seconded a motion to suspend the agenda to allow for the introduction of a resolution. The motion was approved. Brozik then moved and Miller seconded the following resolution:

Whereas: The Higher Education Advocacy Team has recommended that state colleges and universities be given the authority to write checks in order to speed payments to vendors and reduce operating costs, and

Whereas: Auditor Glen B. Gainer Jr. has stated: "If we

give the university system the power to write checks, we open the door to fraud," and

Whereas: Unlike certain political figures, there are currently no West Virginia college or university officials serving prison sentences for fraud,

Be It Resolved That: The Faculty Senate of Marshall University supports the HEAT recommendation that would allow institutions check writing authority and urges the legislature to provide that authority to all West Virginia colleges and universities.

The resolution was approved.

## Remarks by SGA President:

Outgoing SGA President Taclan Romey expressed his appreciation to the Faculty Senate for its cooperation and assistance during his presidency. He also introduced incoming SGA President Michael Miller.

## Update on Capital Construction Projects:

Dr. K. Edward Grose spoke about the ongoing and completed construction projects at Marshall.

He listed as complete or nearly completed: Phase One of the Fine and Performing Arts Building, the football stadium, the Science Building (renovations), Meyers Hall and the Smith Hall heating and cooling plant replacement.

New projects include the renovation of parts of Smith Hall, an upgrading of heating and cooling plants at Jenkins Hall and Corbly Hall (here from electric boilers to natural gas), and the renovation of the Bio-Medical laboratories at the medical school. The next large construction project should be a new library facility.

## Standing Committee Recommendations:

Recommendation #238 was approved. #239 was moved by Perkins and seconded by Duke. Amendment was offered by Gross and seconded by Brozik to change line three from "This legislation authorizes..." to read "...by authorizing the boards..." The amendment was approved. An amendment was offered by Stone and seconded by Sporny to change the word "alignment" in line two to "parity" and add the words "new Defined Contribution" between the words "the" and "State Teachers' Retirement System" in line two. The amendment was approved. The amended main motion was approved.

#240 was moved by Cox, seconded by Abramson, and approved with editorial changes in the university president's line from "approved" to "read." #241 was moved by Olson and seconded by Brozik. An amendment was offered by Anderson and seconded by Duke to replace the number 4 with 2. The amendment was approved. The amended motion also was approved with the same editorial change as noted in #240 regarding the president's signature line.

#242 and #243 were approved. #244 was moved by Dolmetsch and seconded by Sporny. Gross then moved, seconded by Sporny, a postponement of this item until the regular April meeting of the senate. The motion to postpone was approved.

## Other Business:

Due to the lateness of the hour, it was moved by Anderson and seconded by Baker that the continued discussion of the proposed MU Policy on Harassment be the subject of a special meeting of the Faculty Senate to be held April 8. The motion was approved.

The meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

# Personnel management will be topic

"Personnel Management" will be the topic of a free workshop at Marshall University's Research and Economic Development Center, 1050 Fourth Ave., on Tuesday, April 27, from 6 to 9 p.m.

The program will examine basic employee management techniques, how to legally hire and fire employees, how to evaluate employee performance and how to get employees to improve their work habits, according to Larry Kyle, director of the Education and Training Division in Marshall's Institute for Regional Development.

## Videoconference will focus on disabilities

A videoconference titled "Successfully Employing People with Disabilities: What Managers Need to Know" will be presented Wednesday, April 14, from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Research and Economic Development Center, 1050 Fourth Ave.

Topics will include how to interview and hire a job candidate who has a disability, how to make readily achievable changes in buildings and offices to increase accessibility for employees and customers with disabilities and how to relate to people with disabilities.

The videoconference is being sponsored by the Department of Human Resources, Affirmative Action and Student Development.

To register or obtain further details contact the Department of Human Resources, 696-6455 or 696-2593.

## ODK initiation set

Marshall University's Beta Lambda Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa national leadership honor society will hold its spring initiation ceremony and banquet on Friday, April 23.

The initiation ceremony will be held at noon at the ODK Circle. The banquet will be held at 12:30 p.m. in the Shawkey Dining Room in Memorial Student Center.

Fourteen students and five Marshall faculty members and administrators will be initiated during the ceremony, according to Reg Spencer, ODK faculty secretary.

Current ODK members who want to attend the banquet must RSVP by Wednesday, April 21. To obtain further details contact Spencer at Marshall's Placement Services Center, 696-2250.

## Libraries to be closed

Marshall University's James E. Morrow Library will be closed Saturday and Sunday, April 10-11, according to Josephine Fidler, director of libraries.

The library will be open from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday, April 9.

The School of Medicine Health Science Library also will be closed April 10-11. It will be open April 9 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Daragh Porter of Ashland Oil Inc. will present the workshop which is being sponsored by the Marshall University Small Business Development Center, the Education and Training Division in Marshall's Institute for Regional Development and the West Virginia Development Office.

To register or obtain further details contact the Education and Training Division in Marshall's Institute for Regional Development, 696-6797.

Special provisions for disabled persons may be made by contacting the center prior to the workshop.

The Marshall University Small Business Development Center is partially funded by the United States Small Business Administration. The support given through such funding does not constitute an express or implied endorsement of any of the cosponsors or participant's products, opinions or services.

## Excused absences...

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

April 1-2--Philip Haynie, Frank Orlando, Joey Anderson, Thomas Barker, Robert Bell, Angela Blankenship, Michael Bumgardner, Wesley Bumgarner, John Carter, James Carver, Charles Claywell, Christopher Colavita, Sam DeBoard, Matthew Duttine, Mark Edwards, Jonathan Farmer, Tanya Fatony, Minter Jackson, Mark King, Christopher Lyons, Brent Lytton, Kendall Messer, David Miller, Warren Todd Miller, Patrick Moore, Matthew Morriston, Stephen New, Robin Plymale, David Snead, Wayne Toler, Robert Wilson, Christopher Wood.

April 2--Gregory Kane, Roger Little.

April 13-16--Minter S. Jackson.

## Smoking class planned

Marshall University's Office of Student Health Education Programs will sponsor "Fresh Start," a smoking cessation class developed by the American Cancer Society, beginning Tuesday, April 20, at noon in Prichard Hall.

One-hour classes will be held at noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays for two weeks, according to Carla Lapelle, coordinator of Student Health Education Programs.

The course will be open to the public free of charge, however enrollment will be limited.

To register or obtain further details contact the Office of Student Health Education Programs at Marshall University, 696-4800.

### Letter of appreciation

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

Thank you so very much for the beautiful flowers. Your thoughtfulness was appreciated more than words can say.

Sincerely,  
Nedra Lowe

# Marshall faculty and staff achievements

Dr. SOO BOCK CHOI, professor of political science, made a presentation titled "Asia's Cultural Heritage and What It Means Today" during the Asian Awareness Week Program sponsored March 9 by Shawnee State University, Portsmouth, Ohio. He discussed the subject of comparative political thought for Shawnee State faculty and staff.

Dr. NANCY LANG, assistant professor of English, who presented the paper, "Monolingual Readers/Polylingual Texts: Challenges in Ethnic Literatures," at the College English Association's annual conference held last year in Pittsburgh, has been contacted by the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) for permission to include the paper in their database.

Dr. CRAIG MONROE, professor of communication studies, is co-author of a book titled "The Competent Organizational Communicator" released this spring by Kendall Hunt Publishing Company. MONROE collaborated on the book with Dr. Vincent S. DiSalvo of the University of Nebraska, Lincoln.

DAVID K. WALKER, associate professor of computer science, was invited to participate in the "CD-ROM Toolkit" project at the University of Nebraska, Lincoln. The paper titled "Electrets" by WALKER and Oleg D. Jefimenko, originally published in *The Physics Teacher* in 1980, was selected for inclusion on this CD-ROM.

MICHAEL McARTOR, assistant professor of music and director of instrumental ensembles, served as an adjudicator for the annual Student Soloist Competition held Feb. 28 at the Ohio University School of Music. He joined Christopher Weait, professor of bassoon at Ohio State University and conductor of the Central Ohio Symphony, and Peter Stafford, assistant conductor of the Columbus Symphony Orchestra, to adjudicate the competition.

Dr. JOAN MEAD, professor of English, had an essay titled "Poe's Manual of 'Seamanship'" in "Poe's 'Pym': Critical Explorations" published recently by the Duke University Press. MEAD and Dr. JOAN GILLILAND, professor of English, made a joint presentation titled "Toward Successful Collaboration: Discovery and Creation" at the Southern Modern Language Association annual conference held recently in Knoxville, Tenn. Dr. JOHN TEEL, associate professor of English, presented a paper titled "Max Apple's 'Propheteers': (Post-)Post-modern Historical Mythmaking" at the SMLA annual conference. MEAD, GILLILAND and Dr. BARBARA BROWN, professor of English, attended the Conference on Writing Across the Curriculum held Feb. 18-19 in Charleston, S.C.

Dr. C. ROBERT BARNETT, professor in the Division of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, had an article titled "Winning in the Rural Zone: How Cam Henderson Invented the Zone Defense" published in the "Sport in Appalachia" special edition of *Now and Then: The Appalachian Magazine* (Fall, 1992, pp. 37-39).

LAURA WYANT, assistant professor of marketing education, hosted the 32nd annual West Virginia Career Development Conference held March 5-6 at Marshall University. More than 500 junior and senior high school students attended the meetings and workshops held

during the event.

Dr. RICHARD BADENHAUSEN, assistant professor of English, had an article titled "In Search of 'Native Moments': T.S. Eliot (Re)Reads Walt Whitman" published in the November issue of the *South Atlantic Review* (57.4, 1992, 77-91). His article, "Fear and Trembling in Literature of the Fantastic: Edgar Allan Poe's 'The Black Cat'" appears in the fall issue of *Studies in Short Fiction* (29, 1992, 487-98). His article, "'When the Poet Speaks Only for Himself': The Chorus as 'First Voice' in 'Murder in the Cathedral,'" which originally appeared in the collection of essays, "T.S. Eliot: Man and Poet," has been reprinted in the most recent issue of the *Yeats Eliot Review* (22, 1992). BADENHAUSEN, also presented a paper titled "Doing What Comes Naturally: T.S. Eliot's Collaborative Impulses" at the annual 20th Century Literature Conference held Feb. 25-27 in Louisville, Ky.

Dr. JOHN TEEL, associate professor of English, presented a paper titled "'Dr. Oates' and 'Ms. Smith': Twins, Doubles, and Alter Egos in the Rosamond Smith Novels of Joyce Carol Oates" at the annual 20th Century Literature Conference held Feb. 25-27 in Louisville, Ky.

Dr. MICHELE SCHIAVONE, assistant professor of English, attended the board meeting of the Society for the Study of Multi-Ethnic Literature of the United States held during the annual Modern Language Association Convention which was held recently in New York. The MELUS Society's journal, *NewsNotes*, is printed in the English Department and edited by SCHIAVONE, Dr. SHIRLEY LUMPKIN, associate professor of English, and Dr. NANCY LANG, assistant professor of English.

SHAWN HOLLIDAY, graduate assistant in the English Department, attended the third annual Thomas Wolfe Festival held in Asheville, N.C. HOLLIDAY also presented a paper titled "Stephen Dedalus and Leopold Bloom: A Search for Masculinity" at the annual meeting of the American Conference for Irish Studies held Feb. 26-27 in Tulsa, Okla.

Dr. HISHAM AL-HADDAD, assistant professor of computer science, participated in the 11th annual National Conference on Ada Technology held March 15-18 at Williamsburg, Va. The conference has maintained close ties with the academic community and has a long-standing emphasis on software engineering curricula and software engineering environment. AL-HADDAD said the theme of the conference was significant for the new software engineering curriculum developed in the Department of Computer Science and Software Development.

Dr. KEY SUN, assistant professor in the Criminal Justice Department, had an article titled "Effects of the Existential perspective on morality" published in the March issue of the *American Psychologist*. SUN also had an article titled "Two types of prejudice and their causes" accepted for publication in the *American Psychologist* and an article titled "The implications of social psychological theories of group dynamics for gang research" accepted for publication in the *Gang Journal: An Interdisciplinary Research Quarterly*.