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## MU faculty and staff achievements, activities. . .

DR. FRANK J. MININNI, associate professor of philosophy, and DR. HOWARD A. SLAATTE, professor of philosophy, attended the spring conference of the West Virginia Philosophical Society held recently at Concord College. Slaatte, who was re-elected president, read a paper, "Phenomenology and Consciousness Psychology." The society welcomes papers on philosophical topics from other disciplines, according to Slaatte.

DR. JOSEPH S. LaCASCIA, Economics Department chairman, spoke on "Reaganomics and the Economy" at the 1983 West Virginia College Republicans convention, held April 9 at the UpTowner Inn.

DR. CLAIR W. MATZ, professor of political science, received a U.S. State Department invitation to attend a two-day briefing on current U.S. foreign policies held April 6-7 for professors of international relations.

DR. FRANK L. BINDER, associate professor of biological sciences, was invited to present a seminar on March 5 to the Plant Pathology and Physiology Department of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. The seminar was entitled "Nutrition and metabolite transport in the haustorial mycoparasite *Tieghemomyces parasiticus*."

CHARLES F. GRUBER, assistant professor of social studies, and DR. CLAIR W. MATZ, professor of political science, attended the fourth annual conference of the Middle Atlantic Council of Latin American Scholars (MACLAS), held April 8-9 at the College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Va. Matz, who will be program chairman for next year's conference, served for two years on the executive council. Gruber will be responsible for organizing a panel for next year's meeting to be held at Villanova University.

DR. CHRISTOPHER DOLMETSCH, assistant professor of modern languages, was elected to a two-year term as vice president of the West Virginia Chapter of the American Association of Teachers of German (AATG) at the chapter meeting held at Davis and Elkins College on April 16.

DR. JOAN T. MEAD, part-time instructor of English, will present a paper, "Poetry from Sailing Ships' Manuscripts in Thirteen New England Maritime Museums," at the Popular Culture Association's session on Literature and Lore of the Sea on April 24 in Wichita, Kans.

DR. JEANIE WATSON, assistant professor of English, attended the Southeast Nineteenth Century Studies Association meeting, April 14-16, at Western Kentucky University, where she chaired a session on "Childhood and Education: Literary Perspectives."

DR. JOHN L. HUBBARD, assistant professor of chemistry, and DR. GARY D. ANDERSON, Chemistry

### WVAH to present film, forum

The West Virginia Association for the Humanities (WVAH) will present a film and forum discussion "Appalachia's Coal Mining Women" from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, April 23, in Corbly Hall 105, according to Dr. Louise Hoy, Classical Studies Department chairman and WVAH president.

The meeting is open to the public. There will be a \$2 donation and students will be admitted free. Dr. Charles Mabee, Religious Studies Department chairman, serves as secretary-treasurer of WVAH.

Department chairman, attended a day-long seminar, "Modern Developments in Gas Chromatography," April 19. The seminar was sponsored by the Central Ohio Valley Section, American Chemistry Society, and was held in Memorial Student Center.

DR. JOHN L. HUBBARD, assistant professor of chemistry, has been accepted into the 1983 U.S. Army Summer Research and Engineering Program. He will spend eight weeks at the Chemical Systems Laboratory, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland.

DR. CLAYTON McNEARNEY, professor of religious studies, and DR. CHARLES MABEE, Religious Studies Department chairman, attended the spring meeting of the American Academy of Religion (Southeast), held March 17-19 in Atlanta, Ga. McNearney presented a paper on "Unification's 'Holy Songs' and 'Empty Nest Syndrome.'" Mabee presented a paper entitled "The World as Canon Beneath the Canon."

DR. CHARLES MABEE, Religious Studies Department chairman, will present a paper, "Reimagining America: A Hermeneutical Encounter with the Bible," at a conference to be held May 12-14 at Ohio State University. The conference is the third annual meeting of the "Religion in the Modern World" program.

ED MILLER, student financial aid director, was elected president-elect of the West Virginia Student Financial Aid Officers at the group's annual meeting at Oglebay Park.

GARY KIMBLE, residence life area coordinator, will present a paper at the annual meeting of the Association of College and University Housing Officers to be held in Seattle, Wash., in July.

Three members of the Anatomy Department presented papers at the American Association of Anatomists meeting April 3-7 in Atlanta. DR. JAMES D. FIX, department chairman, presented "The rise and fall of melanin in the human Locus ceruleus" with graduate student Robert E. Mehl. DR. ROBERT R. BATTON, associate professor, presented "Homomorphic motor system representation in the monkey thalamus," and DR. RUU-TONG WANG, assistant professor, presented "Surface modifications of the olfactory cilia in some reptiles."

DR. BILLY RAY DUNN, associate professor of occupational, adult and safety education, attended the national conference of the Council for Exceptional Children April 8-10 in Detroit, Mich.

Five MU faculty members participated in the 10th annual meeting of the West Virginia Shakespeare and Renaissance Association, held April 15-16 on campus. DR. JOAN F. GILLILAND, associate professor of English, chaired the program committee and presided over a session on "Shakespeare's Contemporaries." DR. MICHAEL J. GALGANO, professor of history, was moderator for a session on "Renaissance Prose," while DR. JOHN J. McKERNAN, professor of English, presided over the session "Shakespeare and After." DR. WARREN W. WOODEN, professor of English, chaired a session on "Shakespeare" and presented a paper, "Sir Thomas Bodley's *Life of Himself* (1609) and the Epideictic Strategies of *Encomia*." DR. N. BENNET EAST, Theatre/Dance Department chairman, served as a reader for program proposals. The conference drew Renaissance scholars from Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, Maryland, the District of Columbia, Virginia and South Carolina as well as those from West Virginia.

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## MU promotions and tenure list announced

Twenty-seven Marshall University faculty members have received promotions and 15 faculty members have been awarded tenure, effective with the 1983-84 academic year, MU Provost Olen E. Jones Jr. announced today.

The promotions and tenure lists were presented to the West Virginia Board of Regents at its April meeting.

Receiving tenure, effective July 1, were: associate professors Chong W. Kim, management, and Phillip O. Prey, occupational, adult and safety education; assistant professors Ben Miller, music, Rebecca Johnson-Kerns, journalism, Cheng-Chi Huang, mathematics, Gerald E. Rubin, mathematics;

Violet C. Eash, counseling/rehabilitation, David A. Stern, occupational, adult and safety education,

Wendell E. Sweetser, economics; Betty J. Jarrell, accounting and legal secretarial studies, and Sharon B. Ambrose, nursing.

Also, four members of the School of Medicine faculty were awarded tenure. They are: Dr. Mildred Bateman, professor of psychiatry; Dr. Susan DeMesquita, assistant professor of physiology; Dr. Talmadge R. Huston, assistant professor of family and community health, and Dr. Donald S. Robinson, professor of pharmacology and department chairman.

Faculty members promoted in rank to full professor were: David E. Koontz, curriculum and foundations; Edward G. Necco, curriculum and foundations; Mack H. Gillenwater, geography; David C. Duke, history; Dolores  
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## Goals survey is aid to future planning

An Institutional Goals Inventory (IGI) conducted earlier this year at Marshall University will serve as a guide to the school as it looks toward the future, according to Lynne Mayer of the MU Provost's Office.

Identified as highly desirable goals that should be pursued at the institution were:

-Dedication to lifelong learning.

-Faculty commitment to the university's general welfare coupled with mutual trust and respect among all campus constituencies.

-Maintenance of high intellectual standards on campus.

The survey of various campus segments will serve in part as the basis for revising the school's 1976 Institutional Goals Statement, preliminary to updating MU's "Mission Statement for 1984-1990," Mrs. Mayer said.

"The results of the IGI by no means should be construed as a final statement as to what should be the priorities of Marshall, but only as one criterion," Mrs. Mayer emphasized.

**At 2 p.m. Thursday, April 28, in Memorial Student Center Room 2W22, there will be an open meeting at which time the results of the survey will be explained in detail.**

In January, the Provost's Office, in cooperation with University Council, distributed 1,000 IGI questionnaires to faculty, administrators, staff, students and community leaders. Fifty-two percent of the surveys were returned.

The results of the questionnaire will provide an ad hoc Subcommittee on Institutional Goals a consensus ranking of 20 goals for higher education in general and 20 goals which apply specifically to the local campus for consideration in future planning. Chairing the 12-member ad hoc group is Dr. David Woodward, professor of history, who also headed the 1976 task force.

In the section dealing with local goal statements, the three highest ranked were: (1) To provide for adequate

levels of compensation for faculty and staff; (2) To provide a first-rate library, along with adequate support services such as instructional television and bookstore for a university of Marshall's size and mission, and (3) To provide graduate students with adequate assistance, such as graduate fellowships, scholarships, and tuition waivers, in addition to graduate assistantships.

Also ranked high were providing for faculty development through increased opportunities for professional travel, sabbaticals, tuition waivers, etc., and greater access to computers for academic use.

Among the top five general institutional goals were: (4) Offering specific occupational curricula, programs geared to emerging career fields, opportunities for retraining or upgrading skills, and assistance to students in career planning, and (5) Providing for a campus climate that facilitates student free-time involvement in intellectual and cultural activities.

Members of the Institutional Goals Subcommittee, in addition to Woodward and Mrs. Mayer, are: Sharon Ambrose, School of Nursing; Dr. Jack Baur, School of Medicine; Ernest Cole, College of Business; Sarah Denman, Community College; Dr. James Douglass, University Council; Dr. Dan Evans, College of Science; Dr. Walter Felty, College of Education; David Hunt, Student Government; Ray Welty, Staff Council and Don Morris, community.

### GREAT GIVEAWAY

Looking for a supply of 3½ inch adding machine tape? Contact the Accounting Office, Old Main 203, for a real bargain. The office has 29 rolls of this size tape which it will donate to any office that can use it. The office extension is 6488.

## Departments schedule fine arts programs

### Music ensembles to perform

Smith Recital Hall will be the site for several free public performances by ensembles and faculty members of the Music Department. All events are free and open to the public. A schedule of events follows:

The MU Singers will present a spring concert at 8 p.m. Friday, April 22. The group will perform a variety of music, including 'pop,' jazz and rhythm and blues.

Four MU piano students of Kenneth Marchant, assistant professor of music, may be heard in a concert at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 23, in Smith Recital Hall. They are Randall Peters and Maria Milagros Markum, graduate students, and Klaire Purtee and David Reis, undergraduates.

Linda M. Eikum, instructor of voice, will be heard in a faculty recital at 8 p.m. Sunday, April 24, in Smith Recital Hall. The soprano has included works by Handel, Brahms, Barber and Copland in her program.

Dr. Deborah Egekvist, flutist and assistant professor of music, will present a recital, featuring the first formal performance of a composition by MU composer-in-residence Paul W. Whear, at 8 p.m. Monday, April 25 in Smith Recital Hall.

A program of European artsongs and early English and American modern songs will be presented by graduate student Keith R. Pennington, of Kenova, at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 26. Pennington, a tenor, is a student of Leo Imperi, associate professor of music and interim department chairman.

Ronald J. Caviani Jr., a graduate student of James McWhorter, instructor of music, will present a recital on the string bass at 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 27. The program will include Rachmaninoff's "Vocalise," Bruch's "Kol Nidrei," and several other selections.

### Renaissance scholar awarded 1983 Van Zandt research grant

Dr. Warren W. Wooden, Marshall University professor of English, has been awarded the George W. Van Zandt Memorial Research Grant for 1983, according to Graduate School Dean Paul D. Stewart.

Wooden, who specializes in English Renaissance literature, will use the \$2,000 grant to investigate the socio-historical origins of English children's literature from the introduction of printing to the end of the 17th Century.

Wooden said his investigation would include a study of the dynamics of English society, thought and education during the Renaissance for evidence of the changes in attitudes which were an essential prerequisite for the sudden flourishing of children's literature during the 18th Century.

The Van Zandt Grant was established in 1980 by Margaret Van Zandt Winn in memory of her father, a prominent Huntington businessman. According to the grant guidelines, proposals selected for this award should be in the area of social sciences and have an international component.

Wooden, a member of the MU faculty since 1968, has received numerous grants for his study of 16th and 17th Century literature. He is the author of two books and has had many articles, papers and reviews appear in various scholarly and professional publications.

### Faculty, students exhibit work

Faculty and student art exhibits on campus and in the region are among the spring activities of the Marshall Art Department.

Under way through April 29 is a student and faculty art show at the Paramount Arts Center Gallery, Ashland, Ky, featuring various media including drawings, paintings, prints, sculptures, mixed media and fibers.

In cooperation with the Art Department, the Music Department also has scheduled performances at the PAC, including a program by the MU Guitar Ensemble at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, April 26.

A graduate exhibit of paintings and drawings featuring stenciled letters will be on display April 23 through April 28 in the Birke Art Gallery. The work is by Kathryn Gorak Posey of Huntington, who is a candidate for the M.A. degree in Studio Art.

Opening on April 29 and continuing through May 6 at the Birke Art Gallery will be an exhibit by Richard Shelton, a candidate for the M.A. degree in printmaking. The display will feature etchings and handmade paper.

Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekdays, 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, and from 7 to 9 p.m. on Mondays.

## 15 awarded tenure

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W. Jacome, modern languages; Ralph E. Oberly, physics and physical science; Thomas E. Weeks, biological sciences; Robert B. Belshe, medicine, and James A. Kemp, medicine.

Promoted to the associate professor rank were: Barbara P. Guyer, curriculum and foundations; Robert Saunders, health, physical education and recreation; Marc A. Lindberg, psychology; Stephen L. Winn, sociology and anthropology; Jeanne M. DeVos, nursing; Laura L. Wilson, nursing; Dean A. Adkins, biological sciences; Cheng-Chi Huang, mathematics; Gerald E. Rubin, mathematics; Talmadge R. Huston, family and community health; Robert B. Walker, family and community health; William E. Walker, family and community health; Nicholas Baranetsky, medicine; Duane D. Webb, medicine; Ramon E. Miro, obstetrics/gynecology, and Elizabeth B. Devereaux, psychiatry.

Promoted to assistant professor rank were: William W. Thomas, industrial supervision, and Deborah Egekvist, music.

Also six members of the School of Medicine's volunteer (unpaid) faculty received promotions in rank. Charles E. Turner and Thomas C. Scott will be clinical professors of medicine and surgery, respectively, effective July 1. Tara C. Sharma and K. Venkata Raman will be clinical associate professors of surgery. Joining the ranks of clinical assistant professors of surgery will be Panos D. Ignatiadis and John O. Mullen.

### Excused absences. . .

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

APRIL 15—Women's Track Team.



C.I. Thornburg



Brig. Gen. Stallings



Brig. Gen. Wheeler



Brig. Gen. Corns

## Businessman, brigadier generals to receive awards

Four Marshall University graduates will receive special awards at the 46th annual Alumni Association Awards Banquet on Saturday, April 30.

Three brigadier generals – David W. Stallings, Albin G. Wheeler and Johnnie H. Corns – will receive Distinguished Alumnus awards. Huntington businessman C.I. Thornburg will receive the Distinguished Service award.

The awards banquet, a highlight of Alumni Weekend, is set for 7 p.m. Saturday, April 30, in the W. Don Morris Room of the Memorial Student Center. A social hour will begin at 6 p.m. in the Student Center lobby. Tickets for the \$12 per plate dinner may be obtained by calling the Alumni Office, extension 3134.

Stallings, who received his B.S. degree from Marshall in 1956, is Deputy Commanding General for Readiness at the Tank-Automotive Command (TACOM), Warren, Mich. A native of Ashland, Ky., he grew up in Huntington and entered military service through Marshall's ROTC program. He was promoted to the rank of brigadier general on Feb. 7, 1979, and was nominated for promotion to major general in November, 1982.

### Puppet production on Tuesday

"In Concert," featuring David Syrotiak's National Marionette Theatre, will be presented at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, in Old Main Auditorium as part of the Marshall Artists Series' Student Division.

Tickets are available at the Artists Series Office on the first floor of Memorial Student Center at \$4 for adults and \$2 for youth age 17 and under. MU students with ID and Activity cards will be admitted free. Marshall employees may purchase tickets at half-price.

A one-man tour de force, "In Concert" is a series of vignettes, ranging from the comic "Dance Recital" to the whimsical "In the Park" and bittersweet "Final Remembrances of an Old Women."

### Personnel personals. . .

Dr. Peter J. Kasvinsky, assistant professor of biochemistry, and his wife Elaine became parents with the April 7 birth of a son, Christopher John.

**Proud of a family member's accomplishment? Is there a new baby at your house? Is there something else you'd like to share with your colleagues? "Personnel personals. . ." is just the place. Send your information to Judith Casto, University Relations, Old Main 102.**

He received an M.S. degree from Shippensburg (Pa.) State College and also graduated from the Army Command and General Staff College and the U.S. Army War College. He and his wife Pat have two sons.

Wheeler, who graduated from Marshall in 1958, is stationed in Germany as Commander of the Army and Air Force Exchange Service-Europe (AAFES), with responsibilities for the Middle East and North Africa in addition to Europe. He was promoted to brigadier in 1981.

He earned his M.B.A. from Pepperdine University in Malibu, Calif., and also graduated from the Army Command and General Staff College and the U.S. Army War College. Wheeler and his wife, the former Beatrice Britt Thomas, also a 1958 Marshall graduate, have three daughters.

Corns, also promoted to brigadier general in 1981, is serving as Deputy Chief, Legislative Liaison, in the Office of the Secretary of the Army in Washington, D.C. He is a native of Boone County, W.Va., and grew up in Charleston. He graduated from Marshall in 1958.

He received his M.S. from Shippensburg State College and graduated from the U.S. Army War College. He is married to the former Carolyn Cyrus of South Charleston and they have a son and a daughter.

All three generals have received a number of military awards and decorations.

The Distinguished Alumnus award is presented to Marshall alumni for outstanding national achievements in their particular fields of endeavor.

C.I. Thornburg, who will be honored at the banquet for his Distinguished Service to Marshall, rode a horse-and-buggy to campus when he started classes at Marshall. The 86-year-old Huntington businessman was a student at Marshall from fourth grade through a two-year advanced course, graduating with the Class of 1916.

Thornburg is president of two corporations – University Terrace Inc., and CITCO Water and Sewerage Co.

Over the years, Thornburg has made a significant endowment to Marshall and has diligently promoted the value of Marshall University to other citizens and businessmen as the stabilizing factor in the economy of Huntington and surrounding areas, Alumni Affairs Director Karen Thomas noted.

He and his wife, the former Marie Arnold of Rockford, Ill., were among the first members of the prestigious John Marshall Society.

The Distinguished Service Award is presented for loyal and unselfish service to Marshall. The award is not limited to Marshall alumni.