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SOM gets $1 million for scholarship fund

Marshall University’s School of Medicine has received a contribution of $1 million to establish an educational fund which will provide scholarships for Marshall medical students from the estate of James F. Edwards, a well-known Huntington businessman who died Dec. 7, 1991.

The bequest was announced by Edwards’ widow, Joan C. Edwards, during a news conference April 30 at the Huntington Museum of Art. The museum received a $2 million bequest from Edwards’ estate to build, equip and endow a nature conservatory.

The contribution to Marshall will be used to endow the James F. and Joan C. Edwards Education Fund. Annual income from the fund will provide scholarships for medical students.

“This thoughtful gift will have a significant impact on health care in West Virginia for many generations to come,” said MU President J. Wade Gilley. “Medical education is expensive and the assistance provided through the fund will enable many students to realize their dreams of becoming physicians. We’re very grateful.”

Another bequest from the estate to Marshall memorializes the late Dr. Carl Hoffman of Huntington, providing approximately $71,000 from a charitable trust for this purpose. It will be used to support a room dedicated to medical history in Marshall’s James E. Morrow Library. The room was created several years ago in memory of Hoffman.

Mrs. Edwards also distributed $40,000 gifts to two

(Faculty/staff members announce retirements)

Largest Commencement set

Marshall University’s 1992 Commencement is going to be the largest in the school’s 155-year history, according to Registrar Robert H. Eddins.

A record 1,944 students are eligible to receive degrees during the graduation ceremonies Saturday, May 9, at 11 a.m. in the Huntington Civic Center.

In turn, the program is expected to attract the largest audience ever. Since last year’s Commencement drew a capacity crowd to the Civic Center, Eddins said he has arranged for an additional 500 seats to be available for this year.

Marshall’s previous graduation record was 1,868 students in 1977. Last year’s total was 1,738.

Eddins said of the 1,944 eligible to receive degrees, 396 completed their requirements last summer and another 587 did so last December. The figure of 961 completing their work this spring could change slightly after

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MU Research Committee grants awards

(The following report on the April 15 meeting of the Marshall University Research Committee was submitted by Marjorie Keatley, secretary.)

Minutes of the Feb. 12 meeting were approved.

Changes have been made in Foundation policies to match state requirements for encumbering and disbursing funds. These changes were briefly discussed.

Some concerns were expressed about the restrictions in MU Executive Bulletin No. 1. The Faculty Senate is working on a response to the bulletin.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the following resolution for adoption by the committee:

"The members of the Research Committee unanimously express their deepest gratitude to Dr. Leonard L. Deutsch, dean of the Graduate School, for his foresight and sacrifice in this year of unprecedented fiscal stringency.

Dr. Deutsch has fiscal oversight responsibility of summer research grant funds as well as a portion of the University Greatest Needs funds that is dedicated to the promotion of faculty and graduate student research. At a time when it was necessary to cut budgets, by reducing his own operating budget and leaving the full amount of summer research and University's Greatest Needs money available for faculty research, Dean Deutsch distinguished himself as an ally of the faculty and a champion of the academic vitality that is derived through the research efforts of the faculty.

The Research Committee hopes that the leadership of Dr. Deutsch will be an example at all levels of the administration and that other administrators will be as supportive of faculty research efforts as our graduate dean has been."


Requests from Weng and Valluri for Research Committee funds were approved. Quinlan applications were approved for M. Seidel, J. Price, R. Barnett, D. Brozik, G. Arthur, J. Leidy, E. Taft, and C. Kim.

Fall deadlines for Quinlan applications will be based on the dates used for 1991-92. The dates will be adjusted to fall on working days.

Officers for 1992-93 will be Bryan Larsen, chairman, and Marjorie Keatley, secretary.

The meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Largest commencement

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completion of final exams, he noted.

About half of those eligible will actually attend the ceremonies, Eddins said, and most of those will be students finishing their degree work this spring.

Three hundred and twenty-three students will graduate with honors: summa cum laude, 37; magna cum laude, 104; cum laude, 134; high honors, 22, and honors, 26. The latter two categories recognize students receiving two-year degrees.

Radford (Va.) University President Donald N. Dedmon will be the Commencement speaker and will receive the honorary Doctor of Pedagogy degree. A former Marshall administrator, he was acting president at the time of the Nov. 14, 1970, airplane disaster which claimed 75 lives including most of the Marshall football team.

Dr. J. Wade Gilley, who became Marshall president last August, will preside over his first MU Commencement. Other participants include the Rev. Paul Raybon of the Campus Christian Center; Vice President for Academic Affairs Alan B. Gould; A. Michael Perry, chairman of the University of West Virginia Board of Trustees; James H. "Buck" Harless, chairman of the Marshall Institutional Board of Advisors; Martha J. Hill, president of the MU Alumni Association; Professor Emeritus Leo V. Imperi and the academic deans.

West Virginia University Provost William E. Vehse will confer three Doctor of Education degrees awarded under a joint program of WVU and Marshall.

Personnel personal . . .

Marshall Faculty and Staff:

We would like to thank everyone who had a part in the retirement reception for Richard D. Vass. Everyone was so helpful and generous—whether supplying information, contributing for a gift or sharing good wishes.

Thanks so much,
The Finance Division

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Huntington agencies, the Stella Fuller Settlement and the Cammack Children's Center, and announced a $250,000 gift to Holderness School in Plymouth, N.H., for an addition to the school's study hall. Mr. Edwards was a graduate of the school. She also said Mr. Edwards created two charitable remainder trusts by which he gave $2 million to the West Virginia Diocese of the Episcopal Church to build a home for the aged in Cabell County.

Edwards was the owner and chief executive officer of Namaco Industries, which operates National Mattress Co., Huntington's oldest family-owned business in continuous operation. He also was a board member of Key Centurion Bancshares Inc. and The Ogden Corp.

During his long business career in Huntington, James Edwards had been a board member of the Huntington Museum of Art, as well as the Cammack and Stella Fuller organizations. He also was a member of the Marshall University Foundation.
SOM gets $220,000 for rural practice

Marshall University medical students will receive more intense exposure to rural family practice during their first two years with the help of a new $220,000 training grant from the U.S. Public Health Service.

"We’ve been actually teaching health care for rural communities in the classroom longer than anyone else that I know of, taking students to rural communities," said Dr. Robert B. Walker, acting associate dean for clinical affairs and chairman of the Department of Family and Community Health.

"This grant will allow us to intensify that rural exposure in the critical first two years of medical school by putting students out in the field longer and with more structured activities," he said.

Walker noted that 47 of West Virginia’s 55 counties remain classified as medically underserved, and that state officials estimate an immediate need for 160 doctors in rural communities.

“Our nation’s current form of medical education has been unable to meet these needs,” Walker said. “Programs are needed which expose students, early in their professional education, to the challenges and rewards of rural practice and to successful role models in the rural environment.

“Marshall has been successful in attracting students to family practice — we ranked second in the country in 1990 in the percentage of students entering this specialty — but better ways are needed to interest students in careers in rural practice, and to nurture that interest," he said.

In the new Marshall program, which begins this fall, students will receive concise classroom preparation and then be assigned in groups of four to work with an experienced rural practitioner. They will spend several afternoons at the practice, interviewing patients, observing the practice, and touring the community.

The students will be introduced to a rural family, whose members they will follow throughout the two-year course. They also will accompany a rural family physician on a home visit to an elderly patient and on hospital rounds. Each student will be assigned to a rural expectant mother, attending two prenatal visits and being allowed to attend the infant’s delivery.

These field experiences will be reinforced by ongoing discussion groups at Marshall in which students exchange and analyze their experiences.

The program will use Marshall’s existing rural education network of private, federal and community-owned practices throughout southwestern West Virginia. The grant funding will be used for travel costs and to cover the cost of staff time needed to match 96 students up with the series of field experiences, small group discussions and classroom experiences.

“We believe this program will improve students’ attitudes about rural health and certainly will enhance their knowledge in this area,” Walker said. “As a result, we expect more of them to choose a career in rural practice.”

Travel seminars slated

Seminars explaining the new regulations on travel for state employees issued by the State Travel Management Office will be conducted by Ted Massey, MU Controller.

The programs will be held Tuesday, May 12, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2W22 and on Wednesday, May 13, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Medical Education Building Rooms G03 and G04.

Massey said the seminars will be open to anyone who travels or is responsible for making travel arrangements for their department, division or college.

The seminars will cover policies and procedures that will directly affect the efficiency and timeliness of future travel processing.

Persons interested in attending one of the seminars should contact the Department of Human Resources, 696-6455, on or before May 11.
MU committee approves course changes

(The following report on the April 9 meeting of the Marshall University Academic Standards and Curricular Review Committee was submitted by Wendell Dobbs, chairman.)

Minutes of the March 19 meeting were approved.

Report from Curricular Review Subcommittee

Dean Adkins, chairman of the subcommittee, reported that the committee met on March 18 and April 9 and recommends the following course/program alterations be adopted:

College of Education

Addition--HEC 460-463--Rationale--courses and activities designed to meet specific inservice needs of public school personnel. Credit may be used for certificate renewal and salary upgrading, but not degree programs.

Addition--CI 469--Rationale--educational assessment and academic diagnostic evaluation for remediation/amelioration. Provides an understanding of teacher assessment and its implication for programming of exceptional children.

New Withdrawal Policy from School of Nursing

Ben Miller moved that the new policy not be allowed based on the following rationale: A withdrawal formula for undergraduate courses was developed and approved by the Faculty Senate and university president during academic year 1991-92. At present it is our understanding that all colleges or schools of the university will abide by these rules. Separate policies by individual programs are not provided for in the formula. The motion was seconded and passed.

Elimination of Overloads

Damewood moved that the issue be tabled until further information and reaction from departments could be obtained. The motion was seconded and passed.

Election of Chairs

Dean Adkins was elected as chair of the Curricular Review Subcommittee. Earl Damewood was elected chair of the ASCR Committee.

Senate agenda set

Marshall University’s Faculty Senate will meet Thursday, May 14, at 9 a.m. in the lounge on the eighth floor of Smith Hall.

The agenda will include the following:

1. Executive session from 9 to 9:15 a.m. 2. Approval of minutes. 3. Announcements--presidential action on senate recommendations of 4/9/92 and 4/23/92; introduction of newly elected SOM senators. 4. Discussion with Dr. Charles Manning.


Artists get awards

Two artists associated with the Marshall University Art Department received awards in “Realism ’92,” a major juried exhibition held at the Parkersburg Art Center. Works by 867 artists from 43 states, the District of Columbia and Canada were submitted to the competition. Fifty-eight artists had works accepted.

Eileen Woods, a senior painting major at Marshall, received $1,375 in prizes for her work titled “Shroud #2." Ed Pauley, a part-time painting instructor, received a prize for his work titled “Composition With Containers.” Both works were reproduced in the exhibition’s brochure.

Four artists from Marshall were represented in the Cardinal Valley Juried Exhibition at the Ashland Area Art Gallery.

Graduating senior Paul Mullins was awarded the “Best in Show” prize. Peter Massing, printmaking faculty member, received two awards. Graduate assistant Linda Anderson had three entries accepted for the show. Part-time instructor Charlie Seplocha and Eileen Woods also had works in the exhibition.

Personnel personal . . .

John McKinney, associate director of university relations and director of printing services, has been admitted to Cabell Huntington Hospital.

Cards and letters may be sent to: John McKinney, Room 4313, Cabell Huntington Hospital, 1340 Hal Greer Blvd., Huntington, W.Va. 25701.
Funds needed to continue site study

Dr. Nicholas Freidin, associate professor of sociology/anthropology at Marshall University, and a group known as the Friends of St. Albans Archaeology are seeking sponsors and donations from individuals and businesses to continue work this summer on one of the oldest and deepest archaeological sites in North America.

The site, located in St. Albans along the Kanawha River, was first discovered in 1963. It possibly dates back as far as 12,000 B.C. Artifacts already uncovered in the first five meters lead researchers to believe that the area was occupied as early as 9,000 B.C. Core drillings indicate that there are signs of occupation as deep as 11 meters.

Freidin said the site is unique because it is deeply stratified with a series of Early Archaic occupations. Areas of Indian occupation are separated by layers of sand and earth, which makes the various occupations easier to date and study.

The people who occupied the site were hunters and gatherers and did not establish permanent settlements. However, Freidin said that evidence of a much later permanent settlement has been discovered.

Professors and students from Marshall and Grand Valley State University in Michigan worked at the site last year, along with other interested persons. This summer Marshall’s archaeology field school will be the only group working at the site.

Funds are needed for various things such as room and board for the workers, tools, analysis of artifacts and other expenses related to the dig.

Efforts also are underway to try to raise funds for the establishment of a museum on the site. The museum would house artifacts and serve as an educational tool for students and the general public.

“This is a unique archaeological site and is well known in the profession,” said Freidin. “However, we have just scratched the surface. The potential is great. We just need to find the funds that will allow us to continue working at the site and uncover the secrets that are buried there.”

Contributions can be sent to Friends of St. Albans Archaeology Inc., 77 Olde Main Plaza, St. Albans, W.Va. 25177. To obtain further details call 722-4713.

Cleckley selected for national committee

Dr. Betty J. Cleckley, vice president for multicultural affairs at Marshall University, has been appointed to the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Service (DACOWITS) for a three-year term.

The Secretary of Defense selected 32 civilian men and women to serve on the committee. The selections are based on the members’ outstanding reputations in business, public service and civic leadership.

The committee meets at least two times a year to assist and advise the Secretary of Defense on policies and matters relating to women and the armed forces.

Members interpret to the public the need for and the role of women as an integral part of the armed forces, encourage public acceptance of military service as a citizenship responsibility and as a career for qualified women, and provide a vital link between the armed forces and civilian communities.

Cleckley attended the 1992 DACOWITS spring conference held April 25-29 in Washington, D.C.

Fellowships available

Fellowships in the humanities and social sciences for 1993-94 are available through the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, according to Dr. Leonard Deutsch, dean of the MU Graduate School.

The average yearly stipend for this postdoctoral study experience is approximately $38,000 plus travel for fellows and their families.

Fellows normally are associated with one of the center’s programs: Asian, East and West European history, culture or society; international studies; Kennan Institute for Advanced Russian Studies; Latin America, and the United States.

The application deadline will be Oct. 1. To obtain further details contact the MU Graduate School, Old Main Room 113.

Fair judges needed

Dr. Mahlon Brown of the Social Studies Department needs people willing to serve as judges during the State Social Studies Fair which will be held on campus Friday, May 15, from noon to 3:30 p.m.

Brown said he would like to thank the faculty and staff who already have volunteered to serve as judges.

Persons who are willing to serve as judges should contact Brown at 696-2961 or 696-6610. Brown said he will appreciate any help Marshall faculty and staff can provide.
Yeager scholars named

Nine gifted students from six states have been selected for the sixth class of Yeager Scholars at Marshall University, according to Dr. William N. Denman, director of the university's Society of Yeager Scholars. The nine were selected from more than 200 applicants for the Yeager Scholars program, which will provide the students with an intensive, enriched educational program over the next four years.

The scholars program is named in honor of General Charles E. "Chuck" Yeager, the West Virginian who pioneered America's manned space exploration efforts by breaking the "sound barrier" in 1947.

As Yeager Scholars, students in the sixth class will receive tuition and fees, an allowance for textbooks and supplies, half of their housing costs and a stipend that will allow them to study at Oxford University or in a country where they can study a foreign language.

Members of the Class of 1996 are:

--Kelley Ann Beck of Worthington, Ohio, daughter of Roger and Barbara Beck and a student at Thomas Worthington High School.

--Matthew Alan Bromund of Springfield, Va., son of Carl and Linda Bromund and a student at Lake Braddock Secondary School.

--Matthew Aaron Colflesh of Steubenville, Ohio, son of Richard and Loretta Colflesh and a student at Edison South High School.

--Megan Elizabeth Flynn of Ft. Rucker, Ala., daughter of Thomas and Deborah Flynn and a student at Enterprise High School.

--Russell Leslie Fry II of Jackson, Ky., son of Russell Fry and Shirley Bowling and a student at Jackson City High School.

--Christopher Matthew Hennessy of Birch Run, Mich., son of Gerald and Janice Hennessy and a student at Frankenmuth High School.

--Gusti Linnea Newquist of Madison, Ala., daughter of Paula and John Newquist and a student at Bob Jones High School.

--Erik Prentice of Louisville, Ky., son of Harry and Joan Prentice and a student at St. Xavier High School.

--Elizabeth Ann Seger of North Salem, Ind., daughter of Frank and Verna Seger and a student at Tri-West Hendricks High School.

Fulbrights available

The Council for International Exchange of Scholars has published a catalog of Fulbright Scholar opportunities for the 1993-94 academic year, according to Dr. Clair W. Matz, director of Marshall University's Center for International Studies.

The catalog lists more than 1,000 awards in 36 academic disciplines in approximately 100 countries. Deadlines vary according to geographical region. June 15 of this year is the earliest deadline.

The catalog may be borrowed from the Center for International Studies, located in Old Main Room 227. Application forms are available on campus. Matz said interested persons should not wait until the last minute because the process of applying is lengthy.

Huntington Mayor Robert R. Nelson, right, presents a proclamation proclaiming April 30 as "Korean Day" in the city of Huntington to Dr. Soo Bock Choi, professor of political science at Marshall University. The proclamation recognized Choi for his instrumental work in compiling a Korean display on exhibit in James E. Morrow Library during May. It said the mayor made the proclamation in honor of Choi for his contribution and in honor of Marshall University for its ongoing theme of international education. The mayor urged all citizens to visit the exhibit and recognize the value of its contents and broaden their knowledge of Korea's history.

Computer program set

Marshall University's Computer Center, the Computer Store of Huntington and Apple Computer Corporation are sponsoring a series of videoconferences dealing with the use of computers in education.

The next program in the "Imagine" series, "Client/Server Architecture and Information Access and Analysis," will be held Thursday, May 21, from 1 to 2 p.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2W22.

It will be open to all interested Marshall University faculty and staff members.

MU employee achievements

JIM RIEIMER, associate professor of English, presented a paper written with Sandra Eubanks titled "Reinventing Marriage: Carolyn G. Heilbrun's Detective Novels in Relation to Her Feminist Theories" at the Women's Studies Conference held at Western Kentucky University. He also presented a paper titled "Harriet Jacobs' Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl and 19th Century Women's Fiction" at the American Culture Association conference held recently in Louisville, Ky.

Dr. LYNNE BRODIE WELCH, dean of Marshall's School of Nursing, edited a book titled "Perspectives on Minority Women in Higher Education" published by Praeger. The book grew out of the International Conferences for Women in Higher Education sponsored by the University of Texas at El Paso, where WELCH previously served as dean of the College of Nursing and Allied Health. In the book, several authors discuss their views about problems faced by minority women in higher education.
Marshall faculty and staff achievements

Dr. C. ROBERT BARNETT, professor in the Division of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, had an article titled "Wall of China: Recalling the Greatest Dump in the World" published in the spring 1992 issue of Golden Seal magazine. The article describes growing up in a small West Virginia industrial town during the 1950s. BARNETT also was the third author of "Substance Abuse Prevention in Cabell County, West Virginia: A Needs Assessment." The project was conducted by the Toboggan Institute for the Cabell County Coalition for Substance Abuse Prevention.

Dr. HARLAN SMITH of the Economics Department attended the annual convention of the Midwest Business Economics Association held recently in Chicago. He presented a paper titled "Cartels in an 'Nth-Best' World: The Wholesale Foodstuff Trade in Ibadan, Nigeria."

Dr. G.F. KOJO ARTHUR, assistant professor of educational foundations, presented a paper titled "Ghana's Post-Independence Educational Reforms: Lessons for the Next Republic" at the 16th annual conference of the National Council for Black Studies held May 8-10 at St. Louis, Mo.

DAVID HATFIELD, assistant professor of English, successfully defended his dissertation, "The Rhetoric of Science: A Case Study of the Cold Fusion Controversy," at Louisiana State University and will receive his Ph.D. in May.

JEANANN S. BOYCE, associate professor of adult and technical education, presented a paper at the 9th International Conference on Technology and Education held recently in Paris, France. The paper, which was published in the proceedings, was titled "An Expert System Design Structure to Analyze Monochromatic Ocular and Perceptual Deficits in Utilizing Computer-based Video Screens."

The following students and faculty from the Department of Biological Sciences presented papers at the 53rd annual meeting of the Association of Southeastern Biologists held April 8-10 at the University of Alabama: NICOLE TURRILL, JEFF WEBB, KATIE McGINN, JOHN WIRTS, TIM HAYES, TOM JONES, NANCY POWERS, DR. FRANK GILLIAM, DR. DONALD TARTER, DR. DAN EVANS, TIM STARK, ERICH EMERY, DAN CHAFFIN, CHERYL NEASE, and STACI SMITH.

Dr. GARY O. RANKIN, chairman of the Department of Pharmacology, recently presented a poster at the annual meeting of the Society of Toxicology held in Seattle, Wash. The poster was titled "Role of Parahydroxylation in Phensuximide-Induced Urotoxicity." Co-researchers were: K.W. Beers, D.W. Nicoll, D. Anestis, J.L. Hubbard and P.I. Brown.

Dr. MONICA A. VALENTOVIC, associate professor in the Department of Pharmacology, presented a poster titled "Acute Toxicity of 2-Haloanilines in Fischer 344 (F344) Rats" at the annual meeting of the Society of Toxicology. Co-researchers were: J.G. Ball, D. Anestis and G.O. Rankin.

SUZANN WORKMAN, secretary in the Accounting Department, recently was honored by the Gamma Beta Phi Society as "Staff Member of the Month" for March. Gamma Beta Phi, a national honor and service organization, currently is the largest active honor society on Marshall's campus.

Dr. WILLIAM J. RADIG, professor and chairman of accounting, served as moderator of two sessions at the 1992 American Accounting Association Mid-Atlantic regional meeting held April 2-4 at Pittsburgh. RADIG also had an article titled "Changes in an Ethics Rule for Accountants and their Banking Clients" published in the winter 1992 issue of The West Virginia Banker.

YETTA EVANS, purchasing assistant in the Department of Purchasing and Materials Management, represented Marshall at the federal government's Regional Assistance Contracting Center seminar held April 23-24 in Morgantown. The program was open to buyers and sellers of printing services interested in networking. EVANS made a presentation on doing business with MU.

MARSHA SIMMONS, buyer in the Department of Purchasing and Materials Management, made a presentation titled "Buying for Athletics" at the recent higher education purchasing conference held on the Marshall campus. For the presentation, she collaborated with a regional sports shop owner who added his perspective as a seller of athletic equipment.

BARBARA BROWN, professor of English, recently attended a writer's workshop, dinner and evening reading with Pulitzer prize winning author John Updike. The event was held at Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

MARILYN DAVIS-DeEULIS, assistant professor of English, delivered two papers at the WVHC sponsored history lectures held in conjunction with the Guyandotte Civil War festival. Her topics were "Civil War Women Diarists" and the Greenbottom plantation library, which she is reconstructing under the auspices of REDC. She also presented a paper titled "Caroline Lee Hentz: Imagining Southern Womanhood" at the American Culture Association Conference held March 18-22 in Louisville, Ky. She will participate in the American Antiquarian Society's 1992 summer seminar on "Critical Methodologies in the History of the Book."


Dr. C. ROBERT BARNETT, professor in the Division of HPER, contributed to the book, "The Twentieth Century: Great Athletes," recently published by Salem Press. He wrote biographical essays on Paul Anderson, Dick "Night Train" Lane, Lenny Moore and Doak Walker.

The following faculty and students from the Department of Biological Sciences presented papers/posters at the 67th annual meeting of the West Virginia Academy of Science held April 4 at West Liberty State College: Dr. DAVID MALLORY, Dr. FRANK GILLIAM, Dr. TOM PAULEY (two papers), Dr. DONALD TARTER, Dr. MIKE LITTLE, Dr. TOM WEAKS, Dr. MARCIA HARRISON, Dr. DAN EVANS, DAN CHAFFIN, KEVIN (Continued on page 8)
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WILLISON, CHARLES KYLE, DON NASH, KIMBERLY WAYBRIGHT, JEFF BAILEY, MIKE NOWLIN, TOM JONES, GLEN MILLS, MATTHEW MONTANI, STACI SMITH, NICOLE TURRILL, DOUG CHAMBERS, LINDA ORDIWAY, NANCY POWERS, JOHN WIRTS, KATIE McGINN, TIM HAYES, CHARLES PUCKETT, ERICK EMERGY and TIM STARK. CHARLES KYLE won the outstanding student poster award. Dr. TOM WEAKS was elected president of the academy.


KELLY W. BEERS, postdoctoral fellow in the Department of Pharmacology, presented a poster titled "Effect of Microsomal Enzyme Activity Modulation on N-(3,5-Dichlorophenyl)-2-Hydroxysuccinimide (NDHS) Induced Nephrotoxicity" at the annual meeting of the Society of Toxicology. Co-researchers were: D.W. Nicoll, V.J. Teets and G.O. Rankin.

GWENYTH HOOD, assistant professor of English, will deliver a paper titled 'The Earthly Paradise in Tolkien's 'The Lord of the Rings''' at the Tolkien Centenary at Oxford University in England this Aug. 17-24.

DOLORES JOHNSON, assistant professor of English, chaired a session on "Fads, Innovations, Change: What Will Endure in Composition?" at the annual Conference on College Composition and Communication held March 19-21 in Cincinnati. She has edited "A Multicultural Bibliography," based on holdings in Marshall's James E. Morrow Library and printed by the university's Graphic Services, with assistance from the Multicultural Affairs Office.

Dr. THOMAS K. PAULEY and Dr. MICHAEL L. LITTLE, professors of biology, and RONNIE JEWELL, laboratory technician in the Microbiology Department, presented a paper titled "Techniques to Study Effects of Acid Deposition and Diflubenzuron on Terrestrial and Stream Plethodontid Salamanders" at the annual meeting of the Southern Appalachian Man and The Biosphere Conference held in Gatlinburg, Tenn. The conference was sponsored by the Tennessee Valley Authority. PAULEY and LITTLE also were invited to present a paper at the annual Gypsy Moth Review held in Raleigh, N.C. Their paper was titled "Potential Effects of Diflubenzuron on Plethodontid Salamanders." PAULEY and LITTLE received funds from the United States Department of Agriculture (Forest Service) to study the effects of diflubenzuron on forest salamanders.


A.E. STRINGER, assistant professor of English, gave a public reading of his work and conducted a poetry workshop for students at Fairmont State College. He also gave a public reading April 3 at Indiana State University. He has new work forthcoming in Hawaii Review and Mississippi Valley Review.

Four faculty members and two graduate students in the Department of Communication Studies participated in the Eastern Communication Association convention held April 30-May 3 in Portland, Maine. Dr. LAWRENCE WHEELLESS, professor and chairman, chaired and responded on a program on "Factors Influencing Relationship Development and Maintenance." Dr. CRAIG MONROE, professor, presented "A Reconceptualization of Difficult Communication Behavior" written with Mark Borzi of the University of Hartford. He also chaired a program. CAMILLA BRAMMER, assistant professor, presented a paper titled "Disruptive Communication Behavior Scales." Dr. ROBERT BOOKWALTER, assistant professor, attended the Basic Course Directors Conference. JUDY HENNEBRY, graduate student, presented a paper titled "The Difficult Subordinate: A Test of Construct Validity" co-authored by MONROE. She also presented a paper titled "Organizational Culture and Storyteller Communication Style." ODETTA OWEN, graduate student, presented a paper on "Co-Dependency as a Relational Communication Concept."

EDMUND TAFT, associate professor of English, published "Truth and Justice in 'Measure for Measure'" in the fall 1991 issue of The WVACET Bulletin (pp. 44-50). His paper, "Henry Bolingbroke's England," will appear in the 1992 issue of WEVSARA: Selected Papers. He also has been invited by the editor of Connotations to write an article on "'The Malcontent' and Fairy-tale Form" for a forthcoming issue. He attended the Shakespeare Association of America Conference held at Kansas City, Mo., April 16-19, where he presented a paper titled "Reconsidering the 'Crown Scene' in '2 Henry IV.'"

CAROL VALENTINE, assistant professor of English, will be a guest lecturer at Beijing University in China May 12-15. She also plans to lecture at two universities in Ulan Bantar, Mongolia, later in the month.