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Biological Sciences conducts state wetlands study

As part of an effort to protect rare and endangered plant species living in wetlands along the Kanawha and Ohio rivers, the Biological Sciences Department at Marshall University is participating in a two-year study of wetlands. The study is funded by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

"Wetlands have precarious, limited habitats, and frequently are the sites for rare species not found elsewhere," said Dr. Dan K. Evans, associate professor of biological sciences and grant director for the study.

"West Virginia does not have many wetlands," he said, "so we're eager to find out some things about the ones we have."

"We hope to have a definite enough study so that the Corps of Engineers can use the information in decisions concerning construction permits," Evans said. The Corps of Engineers is the agency which controls construction on and adjacent to the nation's waterways.

If, for instance, a property owner wants to drain a wetland to be used for farmland, Evans explained, the Corps of Engineers will check with the results of the MU study. If the only species found on the site are common

ones, the owner will be allowed to do as he or she wishes. If a rare or endangered species is found, however, the Corps of Engineers will make every effort to see that the species and its habitat are preserved, he said.

So far, Evans and two assistants—graduate assistant Bernadine Brumfield of St. Albans and field assistant Michael Patrick of Huntington, a senior biology major—have found six representative sites along the Ohio and Kanawha Rivers in southwestern West Virginia which are relatively undisturbed natural wetlands.

Now, they are sampling the vegetation in each of the wetlands to see which species are located in each, how common they are, and how consistently they appear, Evans said. The species will be analyzed at Marshall and added to the Biological Science Department's herbarium, a plant library.

The \$21,000 grant from the Corps of Engineers is used for salaries for the students, equipment and transportation to helpful conferences on wetlands, Evans said. The money comes through the Marshall University Foundation, which also provides transportation to and from sites. The study will be completed in August, 1981.

Peters-Hayes wedding

Mrs. Kathleen M. Peters of Newark, Ohio, and Robert B. Hayes of Huntington, W.Va., were united in marriage Wednesday, Aug. 6, at the First Baptist Church of Heath, Ohio.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Glenn Hix before members of the couple's immediate families. Serving as attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Walker of Columbus, Ohio, long-time friends of the couple.

Prior to the marriage, Mrs. Hayes was receptionist for the Licking County Administration Building in Newark. The charter president of the Newark Area Zonta Club, a professional organization for women, Mrs. Hayes has been secretary-treasurer of the Brotherhood Bond Co. and serves on the Residential Board for the Mentally Retarded of Licking County. She also has been a Sunday school teacher and choir member at the First Baptist Church of Heath.

Dr. Hayes, the president of Marshall University, is an active member of the Otterbein United Methodist Church and is active in a number of civic and service organizations.

Both Dr. and Mrs. Hayes are natives of the same neighborhood in Clarksburg, W.Va., where they attended school together for 11 years.

They will make their home at 1040 13th Ave., Huntington.

Page Pitt recuperating following surgery in June

Professor Emeritus W. Page Pitt reports he is still weak but gaining strength following surgery in June when his left leg was amputated.

Pitt, 79, said he is able to move around via wheelchair in the neighborhood in which he and his wife, Virginia, live in Stuart, Florida. In a letter to University Relations Director C. T. Mitchell, he added that he also goes out in a car and "I'm planning to do a little fishing."

The amputation came as a result of a vascular blockage in Pitt's left leg. Two operations conducted in an effort to save the leg May 29 were unsuccessful.

Mr. and Mrs. Pitt had been in Huntington April 11 for ceremonies dedicating the W. Page Pitt School of Journalism at Marshall in his honor. He founded the journalism program in 1926 and served as chairman and faculty member for 45 years before retiring in 1971.

Regents support dental insurance

The West Virginia Board of Regents is the first state agency to go on record as supporting the acquisition of dental insurance for its employees.

The Regents unanimously passed a resolution on Aug. 5 encouraging the Public Employees Insurance Board to pursue a dental insurance plan the insurance board presented to the Legislature earlier this year. The legislation died in a committee.

Regents Chancellor Robert R. Ramsey noted that the idea for the resolution came from faculty and staff members across the state. "The idea came from them,"

Ramsey said. "It is proper that they should know the effectiveness of their input, as it was channeled through the various Advisory Councils of both faculty and staff."

In addition to the idea coming from employees and the legislation being proposed by the insurance board, the resolution also noted that dental insurance coverage is becoming increasingly available to educational personnel.

It is estimated that dental coverage for the state's 95,000 employees and 55,000 dependents would cost a minimum of \$11.5 million.

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Real estate courses approved by commission

Real estate courses offered by the Community College of Marshall University have been approved by the West Virginia Real Estate Commission as meeting the commission's educational requirements.

Dr. Paul D. Hines, vice president and dean of the Community College, announced that two courses, "Real Estate Principles and Practices" and "Real Estate Law," meet the 90-hour real estate sales requirement. In addition, "Real Estate Appraisal" and "Real Estate Finance" meet the 120-hour requirement for real estate brokers.

Marshall's Community College went on the state commission's list of approved schools effective Aug. 5.

Fred Bunch, chairman of the Real Estate Program Advisory Committee for the Community College, noted that requirements for real estate education and licensing began in West Virginia on July 1, and existing course work meshed well with the new licensing requirements.

Hines said that Bunch and the advisory committee, with the support of the Huntington Board of Realtors, submitted the program's course outlined to the commission for approval. He noted that the same courses have been approved by the corresponding agency in Ohio.

"For quite some time," said Hines, "our students who work in Ohio have been applying their Community College course work toward their real estate sales and broker's licenses. Now, their counterparts in West Virginia will be able to do the same thing."

"We're very grateful to members of the Huntington Board of Realtors and the Real Estate Program Advisory Committee for their support and participation in having the courses approved for licensing," Hines said.

"The long-range benefit for the student, in addition to licensing, is in terms of understanding the market," Bunch said. "The courses appeal not only to those who plan to make a living in this profession, but also to those who want to buy or sell a specific piece of property."

Bunch added that the Community College's classes are taught by persons who have bachelor's or master's degrees in real estate and who are realtors, real estate salesmen or brokers.

Prospective real estate salesmen need 60 hours to be licensed, Bunch noted, but receive 90 hours by taking "Real Estate Principles and Practices," and "Real Estate Law." Brokers need 120 hours, of which "Real Estate Appraisal" and "Real Estate Finance" provide 90, he said.

Renewal schedule announced for parking permits

The week of Aug. 25-29 has been set aside exclusively for the issuance of parking permits to faculty and staff members, and they are encouraged to renew parking permits by Aug. 29 to avoid the rush the first week of classes, according to Bonnie J. Lytle, administrative assistant/coordinator of parking and traffic.

The schedule for renewing parking permits is as follows:

- Aug. 18-22, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., faculty, staff and students;
- Aug. 25-29, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., faculty and staff;
- Sept. 2-5, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., faculty, staff and students.

Parking fees may be paid in two six-month installments, Ms. Lytle said, the first upon issuance of the permit and the second on or before March 1. Decals will be dated and valid only for the period for which they are paid. Current parking permits expire Aug. 31.

Parking permits may be obtained from the Traffic and Parking Section of the Security Office Room 7-B, Old Main.

Invitation extended

President and Mrs. Robert B. Hayes cordially invite all current and former faculty and staff members and their guests to the Annual Faculty-Staff Party for an evening of visiting with friends, a light buffet and music by The Gentleman III on Friday, Sept. 12, from 8 to 11 p.m. in Memorial Student Center's Multi-Purpose Room.

MU faculty and staff achievements, activities...

BOS JOHNSON, associate professor of journalism, was elected chairman of the West Virginia Educational Broadcasting Authority, which operates the state's public radio and television stations.

DR. MAURICE A. MUFSON, professor of medicine and department chairman, spoke last month to the Second Brazilian Congress on Pediatric Infectious Diseases, which was held in Sao Paulo. Invited to participate, Mufson made three presentations before the group: "Pneumoccal Vaccine," "Progress in Virology: Respiratory Viruses," and "Immunizations." The Sao Paulo daily newspaper carried reports on his remarks.

DR. HOWARD C. PRICE, associate professor of chemistry, has been notified that a patent was issued on the board game he invented. The game is a test of player concentration and spatial orientation skills and has been test-marketed in limited edition locally under the name Ex-Cube-You™.

DR. ROBERT P. ALEXANDER, professor and Management Department chairman, was appointed to the Huntington Area Labor Management Board. He also conducted two training sessions on July 27 and Aug. 3 for the Seventh Avenue Baptist Church on the subject of managing group meetings.

DR. VIOLETTE C. EASH, assistant professor of counseling and rehabilitation, conducted a workshop on the handicapped for guidance counselors and directors dealing with exceptional children. The workshop was held July 21 in Beckley.

DR. CARL S. JOHNSON, assistant professor of curriculum and foundations, and his wife, JoAnn, are co-authors of "The Learning Disabled Child: How Shall We Teach?" in the Spring 1980 edition of the New England Mathematics Journal. They also presented "Recipes for

Remediating Children's Mathematical Problems" at the annual meeting of the West Virginia Council of Teachers of Mathematics in May in Morgantown.

SUZANNE BLOSS, assistant director of the Career Services and Placement Center, attended a training workshop at Bowling Green (Ohio) State University July 27-Aug. 1. The workshop topic was "The Placement Function: Administrative Techniques." Miss Bloss joined the Placement Center staff earlier this year.

DR. MICHAEL R. MOORE, assistant professor of biochemistry, is co-author of a paper, "Methylene-tetrahydrofolate Dehydrogenase from Clostridium-Formicoaceticum and Methylenetetrahydrofolate Dehydrogenase, Methenyltetrahydrofolate Cyclohydrolase (combined) from Clostridium-Thermoaceticum," published in *Methods in Enzymology*, vol. 66, 1980, Academic Press.

John Warren hospitalized, undergoes artery surgery

Dr. John R. Warren, professor of biological sciences, is a patient at Riverside Methodist Hospital in Columbus, Ohio, where he underwent surgery for carotid artery blockage Aug. 8. He is to have additional surgery in the near future.

Warren returned to the United States for treatment after being stricken ill in Guayaquil, Ecuador, where he had been working with the University of Guayaquil under his second Fulbright Lectureship.

Friends report he plans to return to Ecuador following his recuperation. Warren has been on leave of absence from his Marshall position to accept the Fulbright Lectureship.

Those who wish to send cards or letters may address them to:

Dr. John R. Warren, Fifth Floor, Riverside Methodist Hospital, 3535 Olentangy River Road, Columbus, Ohio 43214.

Obituaries...

KERMIT H. GOULD

Kermit H. Gould, the 72-year-old father of Dr. Alan P. Gould, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, died Monday, Aug. 11, at his home at 6034 Pea Ridge Road. He was a retired machinist foreman for The Chessie System. Funeral services and burial were held Wednesday, Aug. 13, in Huntington.

Additional survivors include his wife, Opal Hysell Gould; two other sons, Danny L. and K. Ray Smith, both of Baltimore, Md., and a daughter, Mrs. Robert E. (Donna) Akers of Huntington.

GLEN J. ROSSWURM

Word has been received of the death last month in New Haven, Ind., of Glen J. Rosswurm, 76 years old and father of Dr. Richard H. Rosswurm, associate professor of political science.

Services, followed by burial in a New Haven cemetery, were held July 22. Survivors include two other sons, six daughters, 43 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.

Yates named sports information director

Charles M. "Mac" Yates, was named sports information director at Marshall University. Announcement of the appointment was made by Marshall Athletic Director Lynn Snyder. Yates assumed his new duties on July 14.

Yates, 28, succeeds John Evenson who resigned in May to take a position as assistant publicity director with the Pittsburgh Steelers. A native of Huntington Beach, Calif., Yates received a B.S. degree in communications from Ohio University in 1973. He was sports information director at Fort Hays State University in Hays, Kan., from September 1978 until July 14. While there he served as the media host for the 1980 NAIA National Wrestling Championships.

"We are extremely pleased that Mac Yates has accepted the position of sports information director at Marshall," Snyder said. "He was selected for the position

from more than 50 applicants and we believe he possesses the experience and enthusiasm necessary to head an outstanding sports information department."

Yates worked in sales and promotion for Westinghouse Electric Supply in Anaheim, Calif., from 1974 to 1976. He then served one year with County Line Wholesale Electric in Buena Park, Calif., before enrolling as a graduate student intern at Ohio State University in 1977. He received his M.A. degree in athletic administration from Ohio State in June 1978.

"I am looking forward to being back in a section of the country that I am familiar with and am comfortable in," Yates said. "I am very impressed with Marshall University and with Huntington. The growth of the University from an academic, athletic and facility standpoint is outstanding."

Yates is married to the former Kristy Mann of Westerville, Ohio. They have an infant daughter, Kacey.

CPS courses offered by Community College

Secretaries wishing to take the Certified Professional Secretary (CPS) review examination next year may enroll in review courses offered by the Community College of Marshall University.

The two-day, six-part examination is open to all secretaries who meet the specific educational requirements in combination with specified years of verified secretarial experience. Applications for the exam next spring are being accepted through December 1, according to Shirley Overholt, MU assistant professor of office administration.

Each of the six parts of the exam constitutes one eight-week review course, and two review courses are offered each semester through the Community College's continuing education division, Mrs. Overholt said.

Two of the review courses, Economics and Management and Office Procedures and Administration, will be offered in the fall 1980 semester for continuing education credit, said Robert Lawson, continuing education director.

Review courses for the other four parts, Behavioral Science in Business, Business Law, Accounting and Secretarial Skills and Decision Making, will be offered in future semesters.

Those wishing to enroll in the review courses may contact Lawson at 696-3646. Those wishing applications for the examination should write to the Institute for Certifying Secretaries, 2400 Pershing Road, Suite G-10, Kansas City, Mo. 64018.

Doris Hardesty elected to national DECA office

A Marshall University senior in marketing and distributive education has been elected to a national office in Distributive Education Clubs of America.

Doris Hardesty, daughter of Mrs. Vi Hardesty of St. Albans, was chosen North Atlantic Representative to DECA's National Collegiate Program Development Council, according to Margaret Zelinko, MU assistant professor of Occupational Adult and Safety Education.

Miss Hardesty was elected to the DECA national conference in Miami Beach, Fla., June 30-July 3.

Also at that conference, the Marshall chapter was one of 13 to receive the Golden Diamond Award for completing a series of community service and program-related activities, said Miss Zelinko.

As North Atlantic representative, Miss Hardesty will be responsible for coordinating collegiate DECA activities in the region, which includes 13 states and

Canada. She also represents the region at DECA functions on a national level.

Miss Hardesty will coordinate the North Atlantic Regional Conference in Toronto, Canada, Nov. 9-11, and will conduct a planning session for that conference. She also is scheduled to attend a training session for national DECA officers in Reston, Va., in August.

"This is the first time a Marshall student has held a national DECA office," said Miss Zelinko. "As president of Marshall's DECA chapter, Miss Hardesty has shown the leadership and administrative ability needed to hold such an office."

Appreciation expressed

I want to take this opportunity to offer my thanks to members of the University community for the many kind expressions and messages received by myself and my family during the period of my mother's illness and at the time of her recent death.

Your concern is very much appreciated.

Dick Vass

NEW CREDIT UNION HOURS SET

Effective Tuesday, Aug. 12, new hours for the Marshall Federal Credit Union are 9:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

Faculty meeting scheduled Sept. 6

The first general faculty meeting of the Fall Term has been scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 16, in Old Main Auditorium.

Sam Clagg, Chairman
University Council

NEWCOMERS

New to the campus are:

BRENDA SUE PETRIE, secretary I, Minority Student Programs; MICHAEL W. CHERRY, assistant sports information director, Athletic Department; JANET S. SITES, secretary I, Pharmacology Department; GREGORY A. ROBERTSON, assistant athletic trainer, Athletic Department; PHILIP RICCI, area coordinator, Residence Life; LARRY RAY HARRISON, paramedical coordinator, Community College; KEITH A. JOHNSON, building service worker I, Plant Operations.

Welcome to Marshall!