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# *We Are...Marshall!*

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## *Retirees*



## *30 Years*



## *25 Years*



## *20 Years*



## *15 Years*



## *Service Awards Presented to More Than 60 Staff*

More than 1500 years of service to Marshall University were celebrated on Monday, May 5 as service awards were presented to classified and non-classified employees at milestones of 15, 20, 25, 30 and 35 years. In addition, tribute was paid to those retiring from Marshall during the past year.

## *35 Years*



President Dan Angel presented the awards, which included picture frames, clocks, watches, and MU jewelry. Retirees received a specially designed glass sculpture, titled "Iceberg," which has an etching of Old Main on it.

*Names of those receiving service awards appear on page 3. Retirees' names are on page 4.*

## *Jerri Clagg is Employee of the Month*



*Jerri Clagg received her Employee of the Month plaque from Dr. H. Keith Spears, Vice President for Institutional Advancement.*

Jerri Clagg, Academic Advisor for the Regents B.A. degree, has been named Marshall University Employee of the Month for March, according to Jim Stephens, chair of the Employee of the Month Committee.

She was nominated by Dr. Daniel Holbrook, Roberta Ferguson and Donovan Combs. She has been employed at Marshall since 1979.

In his nomination Holbrook said, "Jerri excels in all areas of her job as

Academic Advisor to RBA students. She is unfailingly helpful ... she routinely goes out of her way to make sure that the students' questions are answered, their problems solved and that they are clear on all relevant procedures. She is extremely sympathetic to the issues that adult students, our main audience, bring to their pursuit of higher education. Often her advice goes well beyond

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## Jerri Clagg from Page 1

academic issues or curricular matters; many students rely on her for advice of a more personal nature, and for her unfailing optimism and encouragement. Since this program has, on average, more than 300 students actively taking classes, the advising load is quite heavy. In the rush time, Jerri never shortchanges a student, but still goes out of her way to make sure that they are all set when they leave the office.

He goes on to say, "... this attention to students does not interfere in any way with the swift and accurate completion of her administrative and other duties here in the office." With a program which compiles graduation lists four times a year and graduates more than 200 students a year, "Jerri is well-known in the Registrar's office for the completeness and accuracy of her graduation lists," Holbrook notes. "In all other tasks and jobs in the office, Jerri never delays or puts off tasks for any reason; if there is work to be done, Jerri tackles it with enthusiasm and diligence. In the office, we can always rely on Jerri to be cheerful, even if she really doesn't feel that way. Of course, her attendance record is unsullied."

In support of the nomination, Ferguson wrote, "Jerri works closely with the Registrar's office as she assists RBA students with their educational goals. Jerri is a strong student advocate and is always extremely kind, considerate and calm in her interactions with others. We count on her for detailed and highly accurate academic record keeping in relation to GPA updates ... It is a pleasure to work with such a highly competent professional who is also so very nice."

Combs categorized her role as academic advisor in the Regents program as being "singularly outstanding." He went on to note that "Jerri works with a large number of students, both in person and via telephone, that want and demand a lot of attention and advice. She provides both in a most helpful and pleasant manner. I hear time and time again from students how great Jerri has been in helping steer them through their educational pursuits."

Clagg was presented with a plaque, balloon bouquet, and a check for \$100 by Dr. H. Keith Spears, Vice President for Institutional Advancement. She will be eligible for Employee of the Year.

## Faculty/Staff Achievements

*Dr. Rebecca H. Goodwin* has been named the 2003 recipient of the Edgar L. Morphet Dissertation Award given by the National Council of Professors of Educational Administration to recognize scholarship in the dissertation stage of advanced academic work in the field of educational administration. Her dissertation, "On the Edge of Chaos: A Delphi Study of the Changing Role of the Secondary Principal," examined the role of secondary principals, how the role has changed and how it should change in the future. Goodwin and her dissertation chair, Dr. Michael L. Cunningham, will be recognized at the annual conference of NCPEA in August.

"The Tragic Sense of Life and Death in the Spanish Left-wing Lyric," an article written by Jose Luis Morillo, Associate Professor of Spanish, has been accepted for publication in the *South Carolina Modern Language Review*. He also presented a paper, "Reinterpretacion del texto lirico durante el franquismo," at the 56<sup>th</sup> annual Kentucky Foreign Language Conference at Lexington in April.

*Dr. Alina Zapalska*, Professor of Economics, has recently published two papers in refereed journals: "Maori Entrepreneurship and the Business Environment," in the *The Journal of Developmental Entrepreneurship*; and "Teaching Business Issues in Hospitality and Tourism Education" in *The Journal of Hospitality and Tourism Education*.

*Dr. Ruth Ann Murphy*, *Dr. Janet Bobango* and *Dr. James Sottile Jr.*, presented refereed research titled, "Why inverting and multiplying makes sense, and answers to other questions", at the 2003 National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM). The conference was held in San Antonio, Texas.

## Staff Council Election Results Announced

On April 24 the Classified Staff Council held its election. The results are as follows:

- Five members selected for a 2-year term for Secretarial/Clerical: Bernice Bullock, Charlene Hawkins, Leonard Lovely, LuAnn South and Connie Zirkle.

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## Faculty, Alums Receive Awards at Hooding

Four people, including two Marshall faculty members, were honored for their contributions to the university at hooding ceremonies held separately in Huntington and Charleston prior to commencement.

In Huntington, Dr. Gwenyth Hood received the Ashland Inc. Outstanding Graduate Advising Award and Dan Shoemaker was recognized as the Distinguished Graduate Student Alumnus. In Charleston, Dr. Michael Cunningham received the Ashland Inc. Outstanding Graduate Advising Award, and Dr. Ronald Duerring was awarded the Distinguished Graduate Student Alumnus Award.

An associate professor of English at MU, Hood was recognized for her direction and guidance with research papers and theses, as well as her work with students involved in independent studies.

Cunningham, associate professor of Leadership Studies, is known for his willingness to mentor and his generosity, as well as his contributions to the Leadership Studies program.

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## We Are...Marshall!

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The next regular issue of *We Are...Marshall!* will carry an issue date of May 30, 2003. Deadline is May 23. Articles or other materials for consideration should be sent to Pat Dickson, editor, at the South Charleston campus or by e-mail to [pdickson@marshall.edu](mailto:pdickson@marshall.edu).



# *Service Awards Presented on May 5, 2003*

## *35 Years of Service*

Deborah Hicks

Charles Newsom

## *30 Years of Service*

Sue Bell  
Charles Harless  
Stephen Hensley

Carolyn Hunter  
Randy Price

Ken Reffeitt  
Joseph Vance

Alan Ward  
Joe Wortham

## *25 Years of Service*

Vickie Crager  
Tony Crislip  
Jeffrey Daniels  
Arlene Ferguson  
Lester Fleming

Karen Greybill  
Kent Hayes  
Estil Hurn  
Jeffrey Long

Arnold Miller  
Carolyn Miller  
James Richendollar  
Marvin Stewart

Margaret Theis  
Jack Toney  
Deborah Watson  
Charles Young

## *20 Years of Service*

David Bailey  
Ann Blankenship  
Cassandra Chappelle  
Loretta Earl  
Peggy Egnatoff

Roberta Ferguson  
Rebecca Goodman  
Linda Javins  
Roberta Kinney

Nancy McComas  
Beverly McCoy  
Frances Mooney  
Janet Turner

Trula Stanley  
Patsy Stephenson  
Mark Ward  
Connie Zirkle

## *15 Years of Service*

Michael Adkins  
Doris Atkinson  
Beverly Bennett  
Barbara Black  
Brenda Carrico-Ferguson  
Kitty Carver  
Janice Colegrove

Julia Dickens  
Yetta Evans  
Dorothy Godgluck  
Joyce Harrah  
Virginia Holderby  
Damon Holley  
Verlin Hughes

William Moore  
Sherry Osburn  
Nancy Pelphrey  
Judith Ross  
Tara Runyon  
Monica Shafer  
Carol Stinson

Linda Stockwell  
James Terry  
Nina Thompson  
Billie Weis  
Wanda Wells  
Cora Westmoreland  
Cathy Zhea

## *Hooding Awards from Page 2*

Before becoming general manager, senior administrative staff of ESPN Regional Television Inc., Shoemaker received his bachelor's degree in chemistry and science comprehensive from Marshall and his master's in educational administration in 1978. He also was a teacher at St. Joseph's Central High School, Chesapeake High School, Barboursville High School and Huntington East High School where he also served as basketball coach.

Duerring, superintendent of Kanawha County Schools, received his bachelor's degree from Morris Harvey College (now the University of Charleston), his master's from the West Virginia College of Graduate Studies (COGS), and his Ed.D. from WVU (the cooperative program with MU and the West Virginia Graduate College). He also has served as a teacher, principal and assistant superintendent in the Kanawha County school system.

## *Staff Council Elections from Page 2*

- Five members selected for a 2-year term for Administrative/Managerial: Teresa Bolt, Adrian Lawson, Kelli Mayes, Jody Perry, and Yanzhi Wu.
- Five members selected for a 2-year term for Physical Plant/Maintenance: Jack Blake, Woodrow Edmonds, Charles Harless, Ronnie Hicks, and Terry Olson.
- Five members selected for a 2-year term for Technical/Paraprofessional: Nina Barrett, Elizabeth Graybeal, Patsy Stephenson, Joe Wortham, and Tom Dorsey.
- Five members selected for a 2-year term for Professional/Non-Teaching: Angela Bradshaw, Jill Burcham, Muhammad Chaudhry, Carol Hurula, and Feon Smith.
- Mike Dunn will be the new chair effective July 1.

# *Classified, Non-Classified Staff Retirees*

**Marilyn Armentrout**

**Mary Black**

**Annette Blake**

**Thelma Dawson**

**Sharon Doersam**

**William A. Edwards**

**Sharon France**

**Bennie Gill**

**Susan Heidekruger**

**Carolyn Hunter**

**Ethel Lipscomb**

**Ralph May**

**Belinda Calliccoat-McFarland**

**Sherian McGhee**

**Carolyn Miller**

**Rowena Napier**

**James O'Brian**

**Patrick O'Neil**

**Joyce Ray**

**Ray Rice**

**Gail Sheets**

**Samuel Stanley**

**Margaret Theis**

**Michael Underwood**

**Shirley Vaught**

**Jane Vickers**