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From the Board Room

At their September 24 meeting, the Board of Trustees authorized the submission of E G & G Inc., of Akron, Ohio, to the Ohio State Architect for negotiation of a contractual agreement for the relocation of Second Street. The Second Street project is expected to begin by the summer of 1990.

During reports from the Shawnee State vice presidents, the Board heard a report from Dr. A. L. Addington on the successful implementation of the integrated core curriculum.

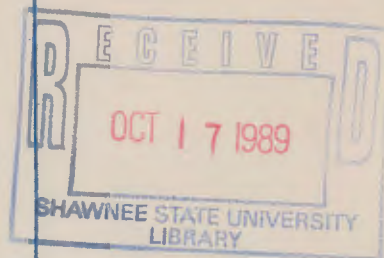
"The integrated core is one way that Shawnee State differentiates itself from other state institutions of higher learning," said Addington. "The core places us well ahead of established sister institutions who are having difficulties in changing over to similar systems. Shawnee State has the same kind of advantage that an emerging nation has in that we can use the latest in technology in avoiding the mistakes of the past."

The Board also approved five other resolutions, including an authorization for President Clive Veri and his staff to investigate the purchase of city property for university outdoor sports facilities and maintenance space.

The Board also approved the following:

- To move the Shawnee State operating fund accounts to Bank One of Portsmouth as part of a cycle among local banks.
- A revision to Resolution 29-89 to offer two-year contracts to Mark Moore, programmer II, and Maryann Tomlin, MIS Resource Specialist. Both were originally offered one-year contracts.
- To ensure campus architectural cohesion and adherence to the Facilities Master Plan, Facility Planning Principles were approved.
- The hiring of Dr. James M. Miller, Assistant Professor of Sociology, and Mary Lynd, Assistant Professor, Associate Degree Nursing. Miller's contract is retroactive to September 18, 1989. The Board also approved the resignation of Valerie Kramer, director of the Occupational Therapy Assistant Program, effective October 13.

The Shawnee State Board of Trustees will next meet on Monday, October 16.



66 The prospects never looked brighter. And the problems never looked tougher. Anyone who isn't stirred by both of those statements is too tired to be of much use to us in the days ahead. **99**

— John W. Gardner
Former Secretary of
Health, Education and Welfare

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Guest conducting was not something that Sir Thomas Beecham found satisfying. Since the musicians didn't know him, and time was limited for rehearsals, results were often less than outstanding. After one such tour, Sir Thomas returned to the company of his many friends in London, where he was asked how the performances had gone. 'What did they play?' questioned a friend. 'I don't know what *they* played,' Sir Thomas admitted, 'but *I* conducted Mozart.'

Library/Media Services

The Shawnee State Library has two electronic reference stations that utilize state-of-the-art technology. One, INFOTRAC, which provides access to 1100 general interest and scholarly periodical publications, is being used regularly by our students. The second, ERIC on Silver Platter, is an index to literature in education and related disciplines.

INFOTRAC is designed to be user friendly, and students tend to either teach themselves or ask the reference librarians for instructions. It can normally be learned in less than five minutes.

ERIC requires significantly more instruction for efficient use. Connie Salyers and Gary Stottlemyer are offering training sessions for using ERIC. Training sessions were offered the first week of fall quarter, and the second set of sessions will be offered during the week of October 20. The schedule is as follows:

Thursday, October 19 4:30 p.m.

Friday, October 20 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday, October 24 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday, October 25 6:00 p.m.

Call extension 321 to add your name to our list of attendees. Each session is limited to five persons. All sessions are held in the Library.

Adopt a Planting Area

by Cay Horr

The Learning Center staff proposed to the President's Council that Shawnee State try a plan allowing employee groups to "Adopt a Planting Area." Those among us with green thumbs will have the chance to beautify our environment and have fun besides.

A "planting area" is a defined planting space on university property which is not fully occupied by shrubs and perennial plants. Examples would be the concrete squares around trees in the parking lot, the square openings around trees in front of the Commons Building, or any shrub bed with additional space in front for flowers or low-growing plants. To adopt a particular planting area for one year, an employee or group of employees applies by memo to the President's office with a copy to Jock Peters, Director of Physical Facilities. The memo identifies the person or members of the group. With approval from the President, that planting area is designated for the employee or group. Planting areas are adopted on a first come, first served basis, and you will be notified promptly by the President's office if your spot is available.

Those adopting a planting area agree to be responsible for:

- Planting it for the year as they see fit, with encouragement to plant for the growing seasons of spring, summer, and autumn.
- Caring for the plants, which may include trimming, cutting flowers, or spraying for pests or diseases.
- Maintaining the bed, which includes weeding, routine clean-up of trash and debris, removing or replacing dead plants, and watering, if at all possible.
- Providing weather-proof labels, if desired. This can include identifying the caretakers of the area ("These plants are provided and maintained by the staff of the Learning Center") and/or the plants (e.g. plant names for an herbal or Appalachian plant area).

The University, through Physical Facilities, will be responsible for supplying mulch upon request, and the Maintenance Department will loan basic tools for a day. The contact person will meet with Jock Peters to obtain basic information before any group begins planting their area.

"Adopt a Planting Area" is an experimental project the University will try for the 1990 year and then review. Fall is the time to plant spring bulbs, so if you would like to participate, send your request soon. For further information, call Gene Beckett (x277) or Cay Horr (x283).

Physical Facilities

by Tim Thoroughman

Construction Comments

Library construction remains on track after the successful testing of test pilings during the last week of September. The pilings, which are designed to withstand 28 tons of pressure, were checked for deflection (total movement downward) and then rebound (return movement upward) by applying and then disengaging 56 tons of total hydraulic pressure. Both deflection and rebound were found to be within the ASTM (American Standards of Testing Materials) guidelines.

Now, soil engineers will re-check the existing test data and determine how deep our pilings have to be. Following the go-ahead, a sequence of events will take place. First, the pilings will be poured and then capped. At that point, construction will move up and out as columns and grade beams are poured.

Building Access and Security

by Jock Peters

In order to implement the university's Building Security Policy, the following procedures have taken effect:

Buildings are opened at 7:00 a.m. (outside doors unlocked, alarms turned off) on weekdays, with the exception of university holidays. Buildings are secured (outside doors locked) at 11:00 p.m. on weekdays by guards and custodians.

Buildings are opened on Saturday when classes are scheduled. Massie Hall is open on Saturday for Library hours. Buildings are "officially closed" as soon as possible after the last class is dismissed or when the Library closes, whichever is later.

On weekends and university holidays, buildings are accessible between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. to persons to whom an outside door key has been issued. The alarms will be turned off, but outside doors will remain locked. At any other time, building alarms may be activated and the buildings are not accessible.



Each weekend and holiday a sign-in/sign-out sheet is posted in each building near the preferred entrance. Please use the sheet to indicate your arrival and departure. It is important that security or service personnel be able to find you or account for you in case of an emergency (fire, building evacuation, etc.) in a building which is "officially closed."

Copies of the Building Security Policy and the Key Control Policy have been distributed to department heads and administrators. If you have questions about these university policies, please ask for a copy from them. If there are still questions, call the Director of Physical Facilities, extension 310.

Inauguration Update

Dr. Veri's inauguration will begin with a bang on Sunday, November 12, with the President's Concert featuring duo-pianists Veri and Jamanis. The wife and husband team will perform an all-Gershwin concert at 8:00 p.m. in the Activities Center.

Frances Veri, the cousin of Dr. Veri, and Michael Jamanis have toured the globe since meeting as students at the Juilliard School of

 An expert really doesn't know any more than you do. He is merely better organized and has slides. 

— Van Oech's Law

66 If you step out of line, if you think for yourself, or if you go too far too fast, people will try to shoot you down. The faster you go, the more snipers there will be. It probably happens to you in some form every day. You are praised when you conform, and praise is withheld when you don't. One who does not behave for the express purpose of currying favor from others must expect to make some people uncomfortable. Those who have previously been described as being addicted to a perfect world, the distancers and the irresponsible, will feel threatened and view you as out of control. Their defensiveness and discomfort stem from the feeling that you are out of *their* control. Did everyone pat you on the back today? If the answer is 'yes,' you may be in a rut. Those with the greatest creativity, growth, and reach become uncomfortable with constant approval. They know they must be playing it safe and are stale. An architect, himself no approval seeker, told me of his twist on traditional business philosophy. 'Just because the customer likes it doesn't mean it's good.' As he says, too much approval and he knows he's foot dragging. **67**

— Dr. Frank Fleming
"Being Better Than
You've Ever Been"

Music in New York. The duo-piano team has traveled to the Orient, has appeared on the *Merv Griffin Show*, and has been featured in four PBS specials. Their concerts across the United States have included sell-out performances of *Gershwin: Face to Face* at the Lincoln Center.

Tickets for the concert, \$5.00 each, are available from the Development Office.

For those faculty and staff who traditionally march in commencement, we have ordered your inauguration cap and gown, and they will be available for pickup at the bookstore on Monday, November 6. Please contact Judy at x203 in the bookstore for more cap and gown information.

More inauguration updates will follow.

Awareness Day Brings AIDS Realities to Shawnee State

A standing room only crowd packed into the Massie Hall auditorium on Wednesday, September 27 to hear the facts and impact of AIDS as part of AIDS Awareness Day at Shawnee State. The Fall Wellness Fair was presented by the Southern Ohio Council on Health Services, a cooperative effort of Shawnee State and U.S. Health Corporation of Southern Ohio.

The Awareness Day began with more than 30 in attendance in the Board Room for three video productions. The program then moved to Massie Auditorium for three guest speakers. First, Mike, who contracted AIDS through a blood transfusion, discussed the impact of the disease on his life and his family. Kathryn Skitarelic, M.D., followed with an educational viewpoint focusing on the prevention of AIDS. The final program, a "Safer Sex Workshop" for students only, presented guidelines for the prevention of AIDS and STD's.

Paul Crabtree, chairperson for the Southern Ohio Council on Health Services, said the Fall Wellness Fair was very successful. "We are very pleased with the tremendous attendance at this event. The AIDS issue is such a formative one in our society today that there is a need for informative avenues to bring the facts to the public. Those who attended any part of the Awareness Day are more educated about the transmittal, prevention, and effects of the AIDS virus."

Positive on Plastics

The Shawnee State plastics engineering technology program was highlighted in the September edition of *Plastics News*. The article focused on the continuing expansion of the plastics curriculum to offer a new four-year degree program in plastics engineering technology.

Lyle Smith was quoted in the piece as saying that Shawnee State is one of the few universities offering a degree in plastics technology rather than polymer engineering or basic mechanical engineering. "We feel we will fill a void in the industry," said Smith. "Molders train people out of high school to run machines, but why should they take time to train employees? They can be more productive with trained employees."

More than 80 Shawnee State students in the plastics technology programs learn, among other things, hands-on machine operations, basic lab operations, and machine maintenance.

Clearer Image Needed at Shawnee State

by Cay Horr

Dr. Richard Moll, nationally known admissions consultant and author, spent two and one half days on the Shawnee State campus talking to staff and faculty. Among the highlights of his visit:

Shawnee State is an institution achieving "a new level of dignity," but prospective students and their parents have no clear sense of SSU's place among Ohio's other colleges and universities. Dr. Moll convened one faculty and one staff focus group to develop six key images of the new Shawnee State:

- Changing
- Growing
- Affordable
- Personalized education with distinctive general education core
- Unique environment
- Career-oriented education through two-year and four-year degrees

Moll's ideas ranged from quick fixes (we need a sign identifying the new library construction) to long-range changes in recruiting and retention strategies. As Shawnee State begins its institution-wide planning process in late October, the university community will begin developing a clearer picture of the university we want to become. That clear picture will aid both recruiting and retention.


Christmas is Coming


Although we have yet to come upon the ghosts and goblins of Halloween, plans are currently being made for the 1989 Shawnee State Christmas Party. Friday, December 8 at the Ramada Inn is the tentative time and place. Please mark your calendars.

Also, for those artists and designers in the crowd, the Shawnee State Student Senate and the Development Office are offering a \$100.00 bookstore gift certificate to the winner of this year's Christmas Card contest. The contest, which will be judged by a committee of faculty, staff, and students, is open to Shawnee State faculty and staff for the first time, so show us your stuff.

For more information, contact Tom Wesolowski (x511) or Pat Carson (x397).

How did you do that . . .

 There was a magician working on a cruise ship. He had a parrot that was always ruining his act, saying in the middle of his trick, 'The card is up his sleeve,' or 'He has a dove in his pocket,' or 'He slipped it through a hole in his hat.'

One day the ship sank. The parrot and the magician found themselves together on a life raft. For several days, the parrot sat silent and stared at the magician. On the fourth day, the parrot said, 'Okay, I give up. What did you do with the ship?' 

Newsworthy Briefs

Professional Activities in the Community . . .

• **Betty Hodgden**, president of the Southeast Ohio Council of Teachers of English, served as conference chair as Shawnee State hosted the Fall Conference of the Southeast Ohio Council of Teachers in English on Saturday, September 13. With 87 members in attendance, **Mary Dillard** conducted a session on "Collateral Learning in Composition Class," **Owedie Johnson** spoke on "Myth and the English Language," and **Carlson Yost** discussed "Plan A and Plan B." **Kathleen Simon** and **Bob Wilson** handled registration, and **Marcia Tackett** and **Paula Prose**, an English work-study student, prepared the registration packets.

. . . and Beyond

• **Nasser Rashidi** was published in the *International Journal of Modeling and Simulation*. Nasser and Andrzej M. Trzynadlowski of the University of Nevada-Reno wrote "Modelling of a Current-Controlled Inverter Operation Under Various Control Options."

• **Fred Chrisman** presented "Memory Techniques in Training of the Unemployed" at the Ohio Employment and Training Administrators state conference on August 17 at Avon Lake near Cleveland, Ohio. Fred also attended the Association of College Unions International workshop in Toledo, Ohio, on October 14, where he presented "Better Grades Through Memory Techniques."



• **Julia Coll** has been invited to present "Language Skills Integration in the Sitcom Class" at the Ohio Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages conference in Dayton, Ohio, on November 3-4. The theme of the conference is: "Thinking-Teaching-Learning."

• **Hagop Pambookian** was featured in the August 1989 issue of the *International Psychologist*. Hagop presented his goals and aspirations for the International Council of Psychologists (ICP) in a Board of Directors statement to the membership column. Hagop also wrote an article on the Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence Program for the ICP newsletter.

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Memory Seminar Offered

Fred Chrisman has offered to hold a memory demonstration for classroom and business applications on October 27 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. If you are interested in the use of memory techniques and would like to attend, please contact Fred at x555.

 We've got them
exactly where they
want us. 

— John Kuzava, Purveyor