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# Shawnee Statement

# From the President

Dear Colleagues:

After a delightful dinner at Frasure's on October 12 with Carlson and Martha Yost and Ginny and Bill Hamilton—the first-place winners of our "Grub on the Green Name-That-New-Colleague" contest—Carlson lamented on the way home, "I'd sure like to work in my office a while tonight." When asked why he could not, he said, "I don't have access to my office after 11:00 p.m. because of the security system."

I guess I knew that, but since I had the alarm key and codes, I assumed that others did also. Wasn't sol Happily,

now that's changed.

The Board of Trustees, at its January 22 meeting, changed the policies on key control and building security at the recommendation of the Finance and Facilities Committee. The

policies say, in effect, that:

Access to the buildings on weekends and holidays between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. may be obtained by faculty and staff to whom a building entrance key has been issued. People wishing to obtain an outside door key for these times have to complete a key request form and have the request approved by the appropriate vice president or department head. The keys or access codes are available to "full-timers" when their job responsibilities require access during these times.

Faculty and staff accessing a building at times when alarms are activated—11:00 p.m. until 7:00 a.m.—have to log in their arrival immediately upon de-activating the system by notifying security at x232. The person also must log out upon leaving

the building.

Those working past 11:00 p.m. who wish to remain in the building must also notify security of their presence, estimated

time of departure, and then log out when leaving.

I tell you about the policy change for a couple of reasons. First, when we know of nagging problems, we'd like to solve them. Secondly, we do have a process and procedure for creating or changing policies. In this instance, Jock Peters amended the policy, Neil Hawk and I had a hand in reviewing it, and then the revisions were reviewed by the U.F.A., U.A.A., C.W.A., President's Council, and the Finance and Facilities Committee which recommended approval to the Board. With this process, the Board was confident that affected groups were consulted along the way, so approval of the policies was forthcoming fairly quickly.

In matters of security, we need to be aware that the policies exist to protect university facilities and equipment from vandalism or theft. Equally important, we need to protect personal February 15, 1990 Volume 3, Issue 11



The greater the difficulty, the more glory in surmounting it.

- Epicurus



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Editor: Thomas Wesolowski Graphic Design: Pat Carson Alfred Nobel, a Swedish chemist, made a fortune by inventing more powerful explosives and licensing the formula to governments to make weapons. One day, Nobel's brother died, and one newspaper by accident printed an obituary notice for Alfred instead. It identified him as the inventor of dynamite and the man who made a fortune by enablina armies to achieve new levels of mass destruction. Nobel had the unique opportunity to read his own obituary in his lifetime and to see what he would be remembered for. He was shocked to think that this was what his life would add up to - to be remembered as a merchant of death and destruction. He took his fortune and used it to establish the awards for accomplishments in various fields which would benefit humanity. and it is for the Nobel Prizes, not for his expiosives, that he is remembered today.

- The Executive Speechwriter
Newsletter

## President (cont'd)

belongings, make certain that offices are secured and test files are protected, and that people feel safe working in their labs and offices at all hours. I ask each of you to take the responsibility for the policies and use good judgement in gaining access to the spaces you need during non-routine hours.

To Professor Yost, thanks for making me aware of the problem.

Sincerely yours,

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# Library/Media Services

In a landmark book by Ernest Boyer called College: The Undergraduate Experience, a great deal of attention is devoted to the academic library and its role in the education of students.

Boyer observes that the library at most universities is a neglected resource with half of all students spending no more than two hours per week there and that "faculty themselves make only limited use of the library for their teaching work."

He also mentions that high school students are now given little training in the use of the library and so come to college lacking the skills to do college-level research.

In his summary, he makes the following recommendations:

- 1. The college library should work closely with surrounding schools and community libraries . . . Colleges should open their own libraries to teachers and selected high school students.
- 2. The college library must be viewed as a vital part of the undergraduate experience . . . serving to bring students, faculty and books together in ways that encourage learning, intensive scholarship, and casual browsing.
- 3. The library staff should be considered as important to teaching as are classroom teachers.
- 4. All students should be given bibliographic instruction and be encouraged to spend as much time in the library as they spend in class.
- 5. A minimum of five percent of the total operating budget should be available for library support." (At Shawnee State our last year's rate was 3.7 percent, excluding special appropriations dollars.)
- 6. We must link technology to the library, the classroom, and—in the end—to college goals.

Many of these recommendations form the basis of the services offered by the Shawnee State Library and will provide a framework for initiatives yet to come.

## International Film Series

by Connie Salyers

A reminder that the next two films in the 1990 International Film Series will be *The Ballad of Narayama*, on Thursday, February 22, and *Children of Paradise*, on Thursday, March 8. All films begin at 6:00 p.m. in Massie Auditorium.

Discussion leaders for the films will be Connie Salyers, Joe Dillard, and Lane Raiser. Be sure to attend and see two shining examples of excellent international film production.

#### **CWA News**

by Marcia Tackett

Vickie Stacy and I were invited to speak at Indiana University in Bloomington on January 3 to a general audience of secretarial and clerical employees about our representation election, contract negotiations, and before and after experiences. On Saturday, we were part of a training program for the organizing committee.

Last spring, we gave a similar presentation to a group of people at Case Western Reserve in Cleveland, and Ben Winters and Vickie also spoke at Cleveland State last year, where employees have

since held a successful representation election.

Not only are these presentations great opportunities for Vickie and me, but also an opportunity to spread the word about Shawnee State. We are very happy to report the good labor/management relationship we have enjoyed since our contract ratification.

## **Continuing Education**

by Ginny Ramey

The Office of Continuing Education is currently in the process of offering a series of seven Community Lectures which are free and open to the public. All the lectures take place on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in Massie Auditorium.

The next two planned lectures are: "How to Become a Totally Rad' Parent," presented by Warren Throckmorton on February 20; and "Infertility—Options and Solutions," by Ann Fankel on February

27.

Winter Enrichment is currently in full swing with more than 300 local students, grades K-6, enrolled. We would like to give special thanks to Tom Bowman and Lois Rase for conducting classes this winter.

For more information about these topics, please contact Ginny Ramey at x281.

# **Printing and Publications**

by Pat Carson

At the risk of starting a stampede to the print shop, we would like to share some good news with you. We recently added two new employees to the printing and publications area of the University. Greg Bond has joined our staff as a print shop operator, and Leah Campbell has taken over typesetting duties in the publications office. Thanks to their considerable experience and the added talents of two student employees, Lora Tolliver (publications) and Donna Groves (print shop), we are finally catching up with our backlog of work and should be able to serve you better in the future.

Whenever you're considering any type of publication that will be seen by people outside of your department—whether on campus or off, whether a new job or reprint—please see the publications office first. Located on the ground floor of the Business Annex, we'll help you determine the most economical, yet effective, means of conveying your message; schedule your job; and oversee the whole production process. You need to remember though that we serve every area of the University, so you will need to bring jobs to us approx-

imately six weeks in advance.

Working together, we can produce professional, practical, attractive, well-written publications in a timely manner.

To be prepared against surprise is to be trained. To be prepared for surprise is to be educated. **Education discovers** an increasing richness in the past. because it sees what is unfinished there. Training regards the past as finished and the future as to be finished. Education leads toward a continuing self-discovery; training leads toward a final self-definition. Training repeats a complete past in the future. Education continues an unfinished past into the future.

> — James P. Carse Finite and Infinite Games Free Press, 1986

## Thanks

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your kind expressions of sympathy during the illness and loss of my sister. Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered.

- Vickie Stacy

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## Mail Room Account Number Difficulties

by Jackie Evans

The Mail Room is experiencing some difficulty in processing both the outgoing mail and mail being returned for incorrect addresses. We are finding, with more and more frequency, that the account number is missing on the envelope. Without this number, it is impossible to identify what department to charge for the postage or what department should receive returned mail.

We believe all mail is important and that it should not end up in a "dead letter" file. Please help us to run an efficient mail room by furnishing us with proper code numbers.

A man visited his cousin on the farm. After observing all the animals in the barnyard, he says, Tell me, why doesn't this bull have horns?' His cousin replies. Well, there are several reasons. Some bulls are born without horns. Some bulls get their horns late in life. Other bulls are dehorned. However the main reason this bull doesn't have horns is that he is a horse.'

## Saying All the Right Things

by Cay Horr

For the past 24 years, the American Council on Education has surveyed freshmen at colleges and universities nationwide to determine their attitudes about college, their plans for their working lives, and their attitudes about society as a whole. Among the highlights of this year's survey are significant changes in student attitudes about social activism and careers. More than ever, entering freshmen worry about the environment and want to do something about it. Fewer are listing business as their top career choice.

Freshmen were motivated to choose their college by its

academic reputation (52%)

- services such as financial aid and developmental programs (22%)
- placement services and reputation for graduates obtaining good iobs (44%)

Many freshmen feel their chances are very good to earn a bachelor's degree (69%) and to find a job in their preferred field (70%). Almost 60% plan to go to graduate or professional schools to earn an advanced degree, up from 49% in 1980.

ACE surveyed over 200,000 freshmen, and a complete summary of the data is available in the January 24 issue of The Chronicle of

Higher Education.

## **Newsworthy Briefs**

### Professional Activities in the Community and Beyond

• **Debbie Bihl** and **Mary Lynd** attended the Ohio State Interprofessional Conference (Terminal Illness) on November 11. The conference was by invitation only and was comprised of professionals in nursing, medicine, law, social work, and religion.

• Hagop S. Pambookian had two articles published in the November 1989 issue of the International Psychologist, the publication of the International Council of Psychologists (ICP). Dr. Pambookian, a member of the ICP's Board of Directors, wrote "A Visit to Armenia

and Spitak," and "Remembering Boris F. Lomov."

• Mary Lynd was one of nine nurses in Ohio selected to represent the Ohio Nurses' Association at the Democratic Majority Caucus Dinner on December 12. She was also nominated for membership into Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society as a community leader. Community leaders are selected for leadership, creative work, support for professional standards, and commitment to scholarly activities in nursing.

• Trudy Bostick has been named an honoree by the American Association for the Advancement of Science by the association's

board of directors.

• Tony Dzik and Jeff Bauer attended a symposium entitled "The Air: Conditions and Implications for Optimal Coexistence," on January 30 in Huntington, West Virginia.

• Virginia Ramey and Lori Mitchell attended a planning meeting for the 1990 Governor's Summer Institute at the State Department of Education, Division of Continuing Education, on January 19. For presenting the institute, which is geared for gifted and talented students from Ohio, Shawnee State will receive a \$50,000 grant.

The next edition of the Shawnee Statement will be distributed on March 1. Please submit articles for publication to the Office of Public Relations no later than February 19.

<sup>—</sup> The Executive Speechwriter Newsletter