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From the President

Dear Colleagues,

Each one of you stand on the threshold of having a positive and important impact on our Shawnee State University and its future.

"Wow, that's heavy, huh! What are you taking about?"

I'm talking about your accepting one of the most important documents in Shawnee's young history—the Constitution and Bylaws of the proposed University Senate.

The ad hoc Governance Committee of the University Faculty Assembly has taken a giant leap of faith and proposed a new representative form of governance for Shawnee that includes faculty, staff, students, and administrators. It is a governance structure that proposes collegiality—a structure that holds great promise of forging a new partnership between the constituent groups that make up the Shawnee family.

"But, there are flaws in the Constitution and Bylaws!"

Yes, and even the Constitution of the United States has flaws. No constitution is perfect. They are meant to be "fixed" if they are "broken." And, there is a mechanism in place in the Shawnee document to not only do the fixing, but also chuck out the document in whole or in part after a three-year trial period.

The faculty's vote was tallied shortly after November 12th (but before presstime of this "Shawnee Statement"). If it is passed by the UFA, the document charges me with seeking the endorsement of the University Administrative Senate, the Communications Workers of America, and the Student Senate.

It has my strong endorsement. I now ask for yours.

Sincerely,



Clive Veri
President

●● Be fanatics.
When it comes to
being and doing
and dreaming
the best, be
maniacs. ●●

— A. M. Rosenthal
The New York Times

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●● Why can't we build orphanages next to homes for the elderly? If someone's sitting in a rocker, it won't be long before a kid will be in his lap. ●●

— Cloris Leachman

A Wonderful Weekend

Riffe Center Dedication

We wish all of you had attended the dedication ceremonies of the Vern Riffe Advanced Technology Center.

Engineering Technology faculty did a marvelous job of promoting their college during the open house, and the event itself was just as nice. Ken Warfield, chairman deserves special thanks as do Shirley Crothers, composer, and Bob Wilson, poet, who collaborated on "Fanfare for Futurism." The musical performance composed for computer and synthesizer was commissioned by the Tech faculty and Janna Gallaher, Carl Hilgarth and graduate Paul Yost worked to make it a reality.

The evening was capped off by the first of our Distinguished Lecture Series' events for the 1992/93 year. Dick Rutan, famed aviator, entertained more than one hundred listeners with, "One World, One Flight." His lecture was not only informative but delightful as well!

Others who were on the dedication committee and deserve congratulations include Dave Gleason, Bruce Ottens, Brian Rudolph, Roger Scherer, Kevin Schott, Ed Scott, Susan Warsaw, and Dave Winters.

ACM Contest

Congratulations to Brian Rudolph, director, and all the Shawnee State faculty and staff who "pulled off" a terrific ACM (Association for Computing Machinery) contest on Saturday the 8th.

Our facilities received rave reviews from the contest organizers and having the contest here surely helped to put Shawnee State University and particularly the College of Engineering Technologies on the map!

Kudos to Brian, Kevin Schott, Vicki Felts, and those who worked so hard and made Shawnee State such a great host institution. Applause also goes out to the ACM Student Chapter, Student Senate, Mike Pinson, Bruce Ottens, Dave Winters. Special recognition goes to Ted Kosan and Paul Yost who created the "Contest Watch" program which will be used at future ACM contests.

Math/Science Academy Ceremony

Rounding out the weekend's activities was the closing ceremony for the U.S. Department of Energy/Martin Marietta Systems Math/Science Academy.

Dick Rutan was guest speaker for the event which marked the end of the six-week program. Cathy Mullins coordinates the academy which consists of day-long, Saturday classes for high school sophomores and juniors. Carl Hilgarth served as activities coordinator.

Sixty-eight students completed the program and earned two hours of college credit. Who said kids don't like to learn.

East Meets West

Shawnee State recently participated in a historical first by receiving an electronic mail message from Nizhny Novgorod State University in Russia. The electronic mail was sent to Dr. Clive Veri via the Internet computer network.

Clive said, "I was surprised, but pleased to hear my desk top computer beep and then carry a message from Vice Rector Roman Strongin in Russia."

"Professor Strongin is well versed in English," President Veri said, "and we have no problems at all in using this instant communications network."

Calendar of Events

Wed., Nov. 18	Early Registration for Winter Quarter 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., Activities Center
Fri., Nov. 20	Bear Bowl 4:00 - 6:00 p.m., Rhodes Sports Center
Tues., Nov. 24	Men's Basketball vs. Findlay 7:30 p.m., Activities Center \$2.00 for adults, \$1.00 for students, free to SSU students with valid ID.
Wed., Nov. 25	Fall Quarter Ends
Thur., Nov. 26	Thanksgiving Day — University Closed
Fri., Nov. 27	Columbus Day Observed — University Closed
Mon., Nov. 30	Finals begin for fall quarter.
Tues., Dec. 1	Community Concert Series — Village Waytes 8:00 p.m., Activities Center
Fri., Dec. 4	Holiday Covered Dish Party Finals End
Tues., Dec. 8	College Career Planning Day 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Activities Center and Massie Auditorium Women's Basketball vs. Wilberforce 7:00 p.m., Activities Center \$2.00 for adults, \$1.00 for students, free to SSU students with valid ID.
Sat., Dec. 12	ACT Testing 7:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Activities Center Women's Basketball vs. Central State 2:00 p.m., Activities Center \$2.00 for adults, \$1.00 for students, free to SSU students with valid ID.
Tues., Dec. 15	Men's Basketball vs. Clermont College 7:30 p.m., Activities Center \$2.00 for adults, \$1.00 for students, free to SSU students with valid ID.
Fri., Dec. 18	Men's Basketball vs. Sue Bennett College 3:00 p.m., Activities Center \$2.00 for adults, \$1.00 for students, free to SSU students with valid ID. Women's Basketball Tourney 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., Activities Center \$2.00 for adults, \$1.00 for students, free to SSU students with valid ID.
Sat., Dec. 19	Women's Basketball Tourney 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., Activities Center \$2.00 for adults, \$1.00 for students, free to SSU students with valid ID.
Sun., Dec. 20	First Day of Hanukkah
Thurs., Dec. 24	Christmas Eve — University Closed
Fri., Dec. 25	Christmas Day — University Closed
Thurs., Dec. 31	Last day to pay fees for winter quarter.

East (cont'd.)

Internet is an electronic computer network that is used extensively in higher education to communicate with colleagues throughout the world. It allows colleagues in higher education to transmit and receive important information regarding educational concerns.

Before the inception of Internet, communications between Shawnee State and sister college Nizhny Novgorod were handled through FAX transmissions which proved to be untimely due to logistical problems. The main problem was that Nizhny Novgorod's only access to a FAX was at a local post office which meant that transmitted messages could not be received instantly.

Electronic mail has opened a new line of communication that is relatively cost-free, fast, and easy to use. Internet is available on most university campuses and the service has recently been made available to faculty, staff, and administrators at Shawnee State.

The electronic mail received from Russia helped Hagop Pambookian in making final arrangements for a visit and lecture by Rector Alexander Khokhlov and Vice Rector Strongin during Shawnee State University's International Week last week.

The visit by our Russian friends followed an exchange visit by Hagop and Clive to Russia to finalize the sister university agreement. The International Awareness Week's activities highlighted that relationship. The next milestone will be the exchange visit by three students and one professor from each institution.

Library News

Naming the Library Catalog

The new Shawnee State Library catalog which we will be implementing this year will be called BEARTRACK. The name was suggested by Tim Thoroughman (great job, Tim) and selected by a committee of staff, faculty, and students from over 30 possible names that were suggested by the university community. The name and a logo (which is under development) will be used on all promotional and instructional materials this academic year as BEARTRACK is implemented and made available.

Access to Resources on Internet

Now that many of you are getting Internet accounts on Speedy, you may have an interest in checking the resources of other university libraries in Ohio from your desks or home computers. We have recently been given the logon information for four Ohio university libraries.

To gain access you must have an account on Speedy which can be obtained from UIS. After you have done so, contact Tess Midkiff. She will be happy to provide Telnet instructions to anyone upon request either in paper form or via campus e-mail.

In upcoming months, you will be able to access references to the combined resources of several university libraries in Ohio plus some indexes for general periodicals, newspapers, business periodicals, and dissertations. More later on that.

Ultimately this will mean that you will be able to check the holdings in our library when BEARTRACK implementation is completed.

Benches on the Library Plaza

As you may have noticed, we have new benches on the plaza in front of the Library building. These are courtesy of a private donor. We hope you enjoy them as much as we know our students will.

“When I was a kid, I would run down the hallway of my house, plant my lead foot just outside of the kitchen, and jump through the dining room, into the den, over the green shag carpeting, and I would land somewhere in front of my Mom's red leather easy chair. It was on these occasions, as I danced around the room, imagining that I had just broken the world record, that my Mom would usually point out that I had scratched on my take off, or that my jump was wind-aided. My Mom was a real comedian. But then one day, I'm 27 years old and I'm in Tokyo, and the scoreboard tells me I'm in second place. So I take off down the runway, hit the board clean, and leave the ground. And I think about reindeer, and dunking from the free-throw line, and gliders, and slingshots, and Sir Isaac Newton, and air. And then everything gets really quiet. And as I stare at the horizon, at the peak of my jump, I think I see, for just a second, my Mom's red leather easy chair at the end of the pit.”

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The great home run hitter Babe Ruth once suffered the humiliation of being struck out on three straight fastballs by the remarkable pitcher Walter Johnson of the Washington Senators. After the third pitch went by him, Ruth turned to the umpire and asked him if he had actually seen any of the pitches. The umpire replied, "No." "Neither did I," said Ruth, "but that last one sounded a little high to me."

— The Executive Speechwriter
Newsletter



Shawnee State Sweeps Competition in Corporate Challenge

Shawnee State University showed its athletic prowess by taking first place at the Southern Ohio Medical Center/LIFE Center Corporate Cup Challenge held in October at Notre Dame Field.

The Shawnee State team was led triumphantly into battle by Clive "Spartacus" Veri and A.L. "The Conquistador" Addington. Other participants in the competition include Rick "Quick" Vournazos, Tom "The Bomber" Bowman, Erek "Commodore" Perry, Cheryl "No Peril" Cook, Brian "Leviathan" Williams, Tracy "Ravager" Reihl, Gary "Stir Fry" Rice, and Robin "Scramble Your Egg" Hagen.

Represented in the bloodletting were Bank One, The Daily Times, Mitchellace, the Scioto County Sheriff's Department, and the Southern Ohio Medical Center.

Congratulations to our tenacious warriors!

Newsworthy Briefs

- **Deborah Waterman** and a group of Shawnee State students recently attended a law school information day at Ohio State University in Columbus. The workshop was sponsored by the Ohio State University Colleges of Arts and Sciences and the Ex Lege Chapter of Phi Alpha Delta.

- **Frank Gaskill** attended the 4th Annual Conference for the United Association for Small Business and Entrepreneurship in Chicago, Illinois. Gaskill's academic paper, "A Model of Retail Success," was presented and his paper, "Emerging Entrepreneurial Strategies in the 1990's," was published in the proceedings of the conference. His paper was selected through a competitive, refereed process. Gaskill also has received notice that he has again earned the title of Certified Purchasing Manager from the National Association of Purchasing Management.

- **Tom Carnevale** volunteered to serve on the Mathematical Association of America's Ohio selection committee. Carnevale was appointed to serve a 3 year term on the Committee on Teacher Training and Certification, (CONTTAC), commencing immediately and ending on June 30, 1995.

- **Phyllis Kegley** is currently organizing the formation of the South Central Ohio Council of Teachers of Mathematics, (SCOCTM). The program is aimed at improving the communication among mathematics educators to better serve the students in the region.

- **Tony Dzik** has received notice that his paper, "Using the Gravity Model to Delineate A Trade Area: A Class Project," was accepted for publication by the Bulletin of the Illinois Geographical Society.

- **Roger Scherer**, Associate Professor of Plastics Engineering Technology, has received a special award certificate from the *University Chronicle* for "Being a Good Samaritan". This is the first award given by the *Chronicle*.