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From the President

Dear Colleagues:

As we look forward to a new agreement between SSU and the SEA, and as we look backward on severe winter weather, jaded morale, and flaring tempers, I am reminded of Reinhold Niebuhr's advice:

Oh God, give me the serenity to accept what
cannot be changed;
Courage to change what should be changed,
and wisdom to know the difference.

The start of spring seems to be a good time for each one of us to think about change, courage, wisdom, and yes, even serenity.

I once fancied myself to be a woodworker, using mostly hard-to-find, exotic woods. After making irrevocable mistakes that ended up in trashed projects, I learned the hard way "to measure twice and cut once." Since then, I've written more letters and E-mail than I care to think about, a few in immediate response to someone who increased my frustration level. Rather than hit the "S" key, however, I put aside the draft for awhile and end up typically hitting the "D" key, or starting all over again. Catharsis uplifts the spirit. Rewriting rekindles a sense of serenity, if not civility!

There's a lot of things that we cannot change about our Shawnee State, indeed our world! We can, however, "think twice and speak once" in our attempt to live peaceably with one another.

Sincerely yours,



Clive C. Veri
President

“Democracy is based upon the conviction that there are extraordinary possibilities in ordinary people.”

— Harry Emerson Fosdick

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“If we were to go back in time 100 years and ask a farmer what he'd like if he could have anything, he'd probably say he wanted a horse that was twice as strong and ate half as many oats. He would not say he wanted a tractor. The point is, technology changes things so fast that many people aren't sure what the best solutions to their problems might be.”

— Philip Quigley
president, Pacific Bell

University Senate: Professional Development Committee active on campus

Under the leadership of Chair Kaddour Boukaabar, the Professional Development Committee of the University Senate has been active in meeting their charge. After organizing in October, 1993, Boukaabar and his committee distributed a campus-wide survey to determine training interests. As a result, eight faculty, administrators, and support staff attended a workshop sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, and conducted by Dr. Harry Eisel, on increasing their ability to understand human behavior.

On campus, a workshop on Internet has already begun and will continue through spring quarter. Internet was one of the most requested topics on the survey, and participation in the initial session was even higher than expected. Facilitators for the sessions are Mary Cummings, Maggie McClintock, Tess Midkiff, and Gary Stottlemeyer.

Two additional professional development workshops are being coordinated by the committee. A MACSECRETARIES workshop will be held March 25 and a free, one-day WINDOWS workshop for instructors on Windows and Windows application software is set for April 4 at the Hyatt in Columbus, with Gary B. Shelly facilitating.

Professional Development Committee members—Anita Gilmer, Sandi Little, Bill Penn, Marcia Tackett, Dennis Travis, and Debbie Watson—continue to establish premier workshops. Boukaabar welcomes the campus community to participate and urges anyone to contact committee members for further information regarding upcoming professional development activities.

Shawnee State faculty share expertise with community

Roger Diamond and William Penn received kudos from the Lawrence County Joint Vocational School for their assistance in promoting a new program, Pre-Engineering Graphics, for the 1994-95 school year.

Diamond spent two full days as a presenter for the Sophomore Visitation Program. According to supervisor Joyce Fields, "I was greatly impressed with his style of discussion and instruction with the sophomores. He put together an outstanding program. His knowledge of Computer Aided Drafting and Design (CADD) is impressive."

Penn participated in the Sophomore Visitation Night meeting with parents. According to Fields, "He was certainly knowledgeable and met with the parents effectively."

BASICS newsletter "gets around"

While attending the National Training Center in the Bronx, Carolyn Gross shared a copy of the BASICS newsletter with the center's coordinators, with surprising results. The newsletter was recognized as such an innovative approach to serving students that the New York City Resource Center has requested that Carolyn forward a copy of each month's newsletter to the center for distribution to adult education programs throughout the northeast. Virginia Sexton, secretary for BASICS, is the newsletter's editor.

Calendar of Events

Friday, April 1	Good Friday—University open
Sunday, April 3	Happy Easter!! Daylight savings time begins
Monday, April 4	Baseball vs. Kentucky Christian Branch Rickey Park, 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 5	Baseball vs. Walsh University Branch Rickey Park, 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 6	Last day to add a class English & Mathematics Placement Test Advanced Technology Center, Room 132, 2:45 p.m. All-Star Basketball Game Activities Center, 8:00 p.m.
Thursday, April 7	All-Star Basketball Game Activities Center, 8:00 p.m.
Friday, April 8	Baseball vs. Alice Lloyd Branch Rickey Park, 3:30 p.m. All-Star Basketball Game Activities Center, 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 10	Softball vs. Mt. Vernon Dr. Singleton Park, 2:00 p.m. Shriner's Circus Activities Center, 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 12	Last day to apply for pass/fail
Weds., April 13	Softball vs. Northern Kentucky Dr. Singleton Park, 3:30 p.m.
Friday, April 15	Baseball vs. Northern Kentucky Branch Rickey Park, 4:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 16	Ohio Environmental Council Pollution Prevention Conference University Center, 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m., admis- sion \$20
Sunday, April 17	Softball vs. Ohio Dominican Dr. Singleton Park, 1:00 p.m. Community Orchestra Activities Center, 3:00-4:30 p.m., admission nominal
Monday, April 18	Student Senate Candidates Open Forum Micklethwaite Banquet Hall, Noon
Weds., April 20	Jane M. G. Foster Distinguished Lecture Series Guest Lecturer, Fred Valentine Micklethwaite Banquet Hall, Noon Softball vs. Wilmington College Dr. Singleton Park, 4:00 p.m.

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- Thursday, April 21 **English & Mathematics Placement Test**
Advanced Technology Center, Room 134, 10:30
a.m.
- Jane M. G. Foster Distinguished Lecture Series**
Guest Lecturer, Fred Valentine
Flohr Lecture Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- Friday, April 22 **Baseball vs. Union College**
Branch Rickey Park, 5:00 p.m.
- Minority Student Spring Dance**
Time and location TBA
- Saturday, April 23 **Baseball vs. Urbana College**
Branch Rickey Park, 1:00 p.m.
- Sunday, April 24 **Baseball vs. Central State**
Branch Rickey Park, 1:00 p.m.
- Monday, April 25 **Appalachian Spring Festival begins**
- Thursday, April 26 **Baseball vs. Columbus State**
Branch Rickey Park, 4:00 p.m.
- Friday, April 29 **Fifth Annual Bear Hug Award Reception**
Micklethwaite Banquet Hall, 1:00 p.m.
- Very Special Arts Festival**
Activities Center, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Saturday, April 30 **Baseball vs. Findlay**
Branch Rickey Park, 1:00 p.m.

Math lecturer to speak

Kenneth Bogart, professor and chair of the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science at Dartmouth College, will be Shawnee State's special guest lecturer on Monday and Tuesday, April 25 and 26. Monday's talk will be related to mathematics education in high school and Tuesday's lecture will be an exploration of graduate level mathematics study.

The lectures have been made possible by three grants: one from Shawnee State's Development Foundation; one from the Pixley Fund of the Scioto County Area Foundation; and one, which will allow pre-college area students and their teachers to attend, from the Division of Student Affairs. Refreshments will be available and mathematical science brochures will be distributed.

Appalachian Spring Festival

Plans are rolling and organizers are counting the days for the fifth annual Appalachian Spring Festival on Shawnee State's campus. Beginning April 25 and running through May 1, blue and white tents will dot the campus and traditional music, arts, quilts, primitive villages, wood carvers, glass blowers, food vendors, spinners, and storytellers will be on hand to bring the festival to life. The cost this year is only \$1.00 per car (free with student I.D.) for entrance into the festival. Carolyn Gross, BASICS coordinator, is again organizing the event and invites everyone to come and participate in Shawnee State's traditional welcome to spring.

Newsworthy Briefs

- **Gene Beckett, Mary Dillard, Butch Ferguson, Marian Fischels, and Ginny Hamilton** attended the annual conference of the National Association for Developmental Education (NADE) in Kansas City, March 2-5. Dillard and Hamilton presented at the conference and Beckett was installed as NADE president-elect. Over 1,300 educators were in attendance.

- **Dan Evans** was invited to speak at Tiffin University by the Ohio School Counselors Association. His topic was "Grant Writing and Action-Based Research." Evans was also invited to speak by the Ohio Higher Continuing Education Association at their winter conference. His topic there was "The Vision and the Challenge: Higher Education Needs in Ohio."

- **Sandra Lawyer** and **Brenda Miller**, counselors with the JOBS Student Retention Program, attended the Region V Head Start Association 1993 Conference in Cincinnati. The conference included discussion of Head Start teachers' training, and programs were urged to use their local universities for this professional development. Lawyer and Miller also attended a legislative luncheon, featuring a member of President Clinton's Advisory Council on Health Care Reform.

- **Brian Rudolph** and **Kevin Schott**, assistant professors of electrical and computer engineering technology, attended the 1994 ACM Computer Science Conference in Phoenix, Arizona during the week of March 7th. In addition to attending the conference, both were heavily involved in the finals of the ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest, sponsored by the Microsoft Corporation.

Rudolph was reappointed as the director of ACM Regional Contests, and he presented a workshop on conducting the contests. He was also named to the newly formed European Contest Steering

“You can't steal second base and keep one foot on first.”

— unknown

“Quality is never an accident. It is always the result of high intention, sincere effort, intelligent direction, and skillful execution. It represents the wise choice from among many alternatives.”

— unknown

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Committee, where he joins four other computer science professors from universities in London, Amsterdam, Bratislava, and Zurich.

Schott served on the contest finals staff, providing hardware, software, and networking support to the contestants. He also participated as a panelist—with three faculty advisors from Texas Christian University, Carnegie Mellon University, and the University of California at Berkley—and discussed necessary strategies for preparing teams academically for competition in the ACM contests.

- **Ginny Hamilton** presented a session, entitled “All Hands in Use, Mathematics Manipulatives” at the National Association of Developmental Educators national meeting March 1-5 in Kansas City. She was also selected as cochair of the Mathematics Special Interest Group for NADE. In this capacity, she is responsible for corresponding with her mathematics colleagues across the country and working on next year’s NADE program.

- **Shirley Crothers** acted as one of the adjudicators for the fifteenth annual Coshocton Show Choir Invitational on March 5. She joined adjudicators from Grove City College, Otterbein College, and Tiffin University. Fifteen high school show choirs competed in the event.

- **Carlson Yost** and **Robert A. Lawson** accompanied two Shawnee State University students, Jeff Nesler and James Hannah, to the Midwestern Leadership Conference in Indianapolis on February 19. The topic of the conference was “Assault on Freedom: The Economy and the Culture under Fire.” Speakers included Charles Sykes, author of *A Nation of Victims and Profscam*, and Walter Williams, an economist and nationally-syndicated columnist.

- **Hagop S. Pambookian** gave a three-hour workshop on “What’s Happening to Children in Russia Today” at the Region V Head Start Association 1993 Conference in Cincinnati. He also participated in the quarterly meeting of the Ohio International Consortium (OIC) for which he is a member of the Board of Directors, representing Shawnee State. Pambookian also assisted the Chillicothe Mayor’s Office during a Russian delegation’s visit for the purpose of establishing a sister city relationship between the city of Azov in Russia and Chillicothe, Ohio.

- **Carolyn Gross** was chosen Outstanding Administrator for the Southeast Region by the Ohio Association for Adult and Continuing Education. The award will be presented on Friday, April 22, during the awards banquet at the OAACE annual conference. Carolyn also attended the National Training Center for Literacy Teachers in New York where she completed an intensive five-day training program with selected teachers of adult education throughout Ohio. They completed workshops, exchanged ideas, and participated in a hands-on teaching experience in a classroom in the Bronx.

- **Kaddour Boukaabar, Marcia Huff, Robert Lawson (CE), Matt Matthews, Elsie Shabazz, Marcia Tackett, Jerry Walke, and Sandi Yuenger** attended a “Consumer Based Thinking” workshop facilitated by Dr. Harry Eisel on February 24. The Shawnee State delegation joined others from the community in this workshop sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. Focus of the workshop was on increasing the ability to understand human behavior.

- **Julia Coll** has been selected to be a grants reviewer for the Department of Education.

Personal notes

- **Carlson Yost’s** son, **Tom**, age 11, won the city-wide Spelling Bee Championship, the Tri-State Regional Spelling Bee, and now he is off to the national competition in Washington, D.C. Best of luck!