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Wesleyan Welcomes New Faculty Members

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Wesleyan not only opened its doors to new students this year, but also to new faculty members. Two of these new faculty members are Dr. Stephen Fritz, Executive Vice President and Dean of the College; and Dr. Mark Wethington, Campus Minister.

Dr. Fritz comes to Wesleyan College from Pikesville College in Pikesville, Kentucky. He received his B.S. degree from Murray State University with majors in History and English, his M.A. from Southern Illinois University with a major in European History, and his Ph.D. from the University of Kentucky with major areas in Early Modern Europe, Britain and the Empire and the English Constitutional History.

The new Dean thinks that the on-campus drinking policy is good for the students and the staff. The policy is practiced throughout the Methodist religion. It is also a part of the Methodist book of discipline. Fritz feels that Wesleyan has an obligation as a church-related school to practice this policy.

"Convocation provides students with certain values," said Dr. Fritz when asked about convocations. Wesleyan has an obligation to provide a sound education and environment for learning to students. The administration knows that this policy will help the students. The students should look at convocations as part of the whole learning experience. "We are not trying to make their lives miserable," Dr. Fritz added.

He has a family of three: his wife, Pat, and two sons, ages 10 and 14. His family loves traveling, basketball and baseball. The Fritz family really likes the Rocky Mount area. "The people around town and at NCWC have made us feel welcome," said Fritz.

If you are around the faculty parking lot, look at Dr. Fritz's license plate. It reads "ACADEMIA," an appropriate plate for Dean of the College.

Wesleyan's new minister feels that religion should be a part of every student's college involvement. Dr. Mark Wethington pointed out that

he knows there are other competing concerns involving student life, yet he believes that one's faith should be a part of all of these concerns. He hopes to promote this idea on campus.

When asked about student-faculty involvement, he replied, "There is always room for improvement among students and faculty. We should strive for a closer community feeling."

Dr. Wethington is the minister of two churches in the Roanoke Rapids area. He received his B.A. degree in religion and philosophy from American University in Washington, D. C. his Master of Divinity degree from Duke University and his Ph.D. from Duke University, too.

He also studied at Bonn University in Germany and helped initiate a program of exchange between theological faculty and students at Bonn and Duke.

He enjoys tennis, water skiing, boating and fishing. His wife, Bobbie, and two-year-old daughter, Caroline, are also welcomed into the Wesleyan campus family.



DR. STEPHEN FRITZ
Executive Vice President and
Dean of the College

"A Day For Wesleyan"

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"A Day for Wesleyan '85," held on September 18, 1984, was very successful. It achieved its goal of surpassing last year's mark of \$315,000 by \$15,000 for a grand total of \$330,000.

Richard Dollar, Vice-President of Development, stated, "We are overwhelmed with the total success of the campaign."

Ben Mayo Boddie Sr. was general campaign chairman of this year's "A Day for Wesleyan '85." Boddie is the president and chairman of the board of Boddie-Noell Enterprises Inc. Boddie is also highly involved with several other business organizations. Much of the credit for this year's success must go to Boddie.

However, Boddie could not have done it without the help of some 200 volunteers. The volunteers formed into approximately 100 two-person teams and made contact with about 1,200 prospects. These prospects were from different businesses in Nash, Edgecombe and Halifax Counties.

"A Day for Wesleyan '85" was the third major fund-raising campaign of its type which was designed to help meet Wesleyan's annual budget of \$4 million. After the initial campaign, set up in January of '83, it was decided to run these campaigns annually every September. With its excellent leadership and dedicated volunteers this year's fund-raising campaign, "A Day for Wesleyan '85," was most successful.

Applications Sought For Senior And Postdoctoral Research Associateships

The National Research Council announces the 1985 Postdoctoral, Resident and Cooperative Research Associateship Programs for research in the sciences and engineering to be conducted in behalf of 21 federal agencies or research institutions, whose laboratories are located throughout the United States.

The programs provide Ph.D. scientists and engineers of unusual promise and ability with opportunities to perform research on problems largely of their own choosing yet compatible with the research interests of the supporting laboratory.

Initiated in 1954, the Apprenticeship Programs have contributed to the career development of over 4,000 scientists ranging from recent Ph.D. recipients to distinguished senior scientists.

Approximately 250 new full-time associateships will be awarded on a competitive basis in 1985 for research in chemistry, engineering and

mathematics and in the earth, environmental, physical, space and life sciences. Most of the programs are open to both U. S. and non-U. S. nationals, and to both recent Ph.D. degree holders and senior investigators.

Awards are made for one or two years; senior applicants who have held the doctorate at least five years may request shorter tenures.

Stipends for the 1985 program year will begin at \$25,350 a year for recent Ph.D.s and be individually determined for senior associates. A stipend supplement up to \$5,000 may be available to regular (not senior) awardees holding recognized doctoral degrees in those disciplines wherein the number of degrees conferred by U. S. graduate schools is significantly below the current trend.

In the 1984 program year these areas have been engineering, computer science, space-related

biomedical science.

Reimbursement is provided for allowable relocation costs and for limited professional travel during tenure.

The host laboratory provides the associate with programmatic assistance including facilities, support services, necessary equipment, and travel necessary for the conduct of the approved research program.

Applications to the National Research Council must be postmarked no later than January 15, 1985. Initial awards will be announced in March and April followed by awards to alternates later.

Information on specific research opportunities and federal laboratories, as well as application materials, may be obtained from Associateship Programs, Office of Scientific and Engineering Personnel, JH 608-D3, National Research Council, 2101 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C. 20418, (202) 334-2760.