Here is the latest news I have received on the developmental activities of Illinois Wesleyan University faculty -- including and especially grants, awards, and other recognition given for both curricular and scholarly development. I ask that you join Provost McNew and me in congratulating the following colleagues on their significant accomplishments.

- Professor Tian-Xiao He of Mathematics received the American Mathematical Society Award in the amount $1,900 at the International Congress of Mathematicians in Beijing China, August 20-28, 2002. The award was in recognition of the high quality of four journal articles and a monograph published by Professor He between 1990 and 2001. The International Congress meets every four years; the 2002 meeting in Beijing featured talks by Stephen Hawking and John Nash, not to mention a talk by Professor He.

- Professor Fred Hoyt of Business Administration is president-elect and program chair for the second largest (350 members) marketing organization in the U.S., the Marketing Management Association. Professor Hoyt has served as a board member for six years, edited the newsletter for three, and has been elected treasurer, secretary, and membership vice president before taking over his current programming duties. He will become president next March when the MMA will meet in Chicago as one of 14 organizations under the umbrella of the Midwest Business Administration Association.

- Professor Abigail Jahiel of Political Science and Environmental Studies has been awarded an ASIANetwork Freeman Fellowship for $21,730 to support research by her and three of her students in China next summer. The project on which she and her students will be working is entitled "Towards Sustainable Development in the Chinese Countryside: An Investigation into the Causes of Environmental Problems in Rural China and Corrective Institutional Measures." Abby is presently monitoring the SARS situation in China closely and hoping that this will not cause problems with conducting her studies.

- Professor Ted Morris of Philosophy has received word that he has been awarded a National Endowment for the Humanities summer stipend of $5,000 to support two consecutive months of full-time research and writing on the topic "Naturalism and Normativity in Hume's Epistemology."

Please send me any news of grants, awards, or other similar recognition received by you or your colleagues. This information not only is of great interest to your friends at Illinois Wesleyan, it also forms a record of accomplishment which markedly enhances our chances of success at receiving future grants and awards. I thank Jo Porter for helping me to assemble this list of curricular and scholarly awards.