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**Coming soon.. "The Benefit Box"**

### **UM Staff Advisory Council Minutes...**

The UM Staff Advisory Council meeting was held in 321 University Hall conference room on September 13, 1996. The minutes and the treasurer's report were accepted. See committee reports for detailed information. The next meeting will be October 18, in the President's conference room, 321 University Hall.

## **SPECIAL INTEREST COMMITTEE**

### **Election Committee – Joe Asher, Chair**

Election results are in and have been tabulated. Congratulations to the new UM Staff Advisory Council members! The two administrative/professional positions were filled by Ken England and Carol McKenzie. The two service and support positions were filled by Mary Sheller and Janet Waibel. Congratulations to everyone!

## **STANDING COMMITTEES**

### **Parking and Transportation**

**Cuba Plain, Chair; Brenda Dennis, Vice Chair**

The first meeting will be in September.

### **Salary and Wage**

**Mary Lu Brown, Chair; Monique Dodson, Vice Chair**

No report.

## **STANDING COMMITTEES, continued**

### **Staff Benefits**

**Bonita Lenger, Chair; Pat Leistner, Vice chair**

The committee met on Sept. 12 and is compiling a list of all the benefits available to all UM Staff. They received a new employee packet from Human Resources which includes a number of informational items. The committee is interested in compiling an informational handout for all staff. They would also like to see if Human Resources can add an Employee Guide section to their home page on the World Wide Web. Starting next month there will be an informational benefits section in the *Advisor*.

### **From the Chair...**

It's time to say thank you to those members of Staff Advisory Council whose terms expire in October. Thanks to Joe Asher, Cuba Plain, and Tammy Trader for their hard work and dedication to SAC. Each of you will be missed.

The ballots have been counted and we have four new members joining SAC. Congratulations to Ken England of Information and Computing Services, Carol McKenzie of Faculty and Staff Benefits, Mary Sheller of Human Resource Services, and Janet Waibel of University Relations. Thanks to everyone who agreed to run for Staff Council. We can always use volunteers to help out with our committees, especially in the spring when we host the various activities that make up Staff Recognition Week.

The United Way Campaign has kicked off. There is plenty of information about the campaign in this issue of the *Advisor*. If you have not given to United Way before please give a moment to consider those less fortunate than yourself. Each of us can make a difference.

*Brian McNamee, Chair*

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Catherine Volmert, 225 University Hall or via e-mail.



October Birthdays!

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DIANE B AYOTTE, WEST. HISTORICAL MANUSCRIPTS	10/03
HENRY J BALLING JR, FACILITIES PLANNING & DEVELOP	10/17
TAMERA RENEE BLACK, INFORM & COMPUTING SERVICES	10/05
JOHN F BRADBURY JR, WEST. HISTORICAL MANUSCRIPTS	10/24
CHARLES RAY BRASSIEUR, STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY	10/24
DWIGHT WOODS BROWNE, UNIVERSITY PRESS	10/05
DAROLD C BUESCHER, ACCOUNTING	10/15
DEBORAH SUE CASELMAN, SPONSORED PROGRAMS	10/24
JAMES R CASSTEVENSON, MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS	10/12
MARDY T EIMERS, PLANNING AND BUDGET	10/31
WILLIAM M FISCHETTI, WEST. HISTORICAL MANUSCRIPTS	10/25
JAMES WILLIAM GOODRICH, STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY	10/31
DEBORAH J GUILFORD, UNIVERSITY PRESS	10/17
BARBARA JEAN HARRIS, MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS	10/04
ROY KENNETH HUTCHINSON, HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES	10/13
BEVERLY JARRETT, UNIVERSITY PRESS	10/27
CLARENCE E JETT, AUDITING	10/16
PATRICIA LOIS LEISTNER, RISK & INSURANCE MANAGEMENT	10/13
MARSHA A LOYD, VICE PRES. ACADEMIC AFF OFFICE	10/01
BETTY L MCFARLAND, RECORDS MANAGEMENT	10/10
EDNA MCMULLEN, VICE PRES. ACADEMIC AFF OFFICE	10/23
LARRY ALLEN MYERS, UNIVERSITY RELATIONS	10/09
MICHELE A PENZA, CASH MANAGEMENT	10/14
DAVID RANDALL RUSSELL, UNIVERSITY RELATIONS	10/03
JULIANNA MARIE SCHROEDER, UNIVERSITY PRESS	10/24
JANICE LEE SMILEY, UNIVERSITY PRESS	10/18
CHARLES R TOUZEAU, AUDITING	10/21
M EMILY TOWNE, FACULTY & STAFF BENEFITS	10/21
JANET WELSHONS, FACULTY & STAFF BENEFITS	10/18

EXTENSION

MARSHA A ABORN	10/02
PENNY L ANTLE	10/02
KEN DEAN APPERSON	10/17
DARLENE F BEAMAN	10/18
BRUCE ERIC BECK	10/21
DEBORAH MARIE BEDELL	10/02
S CHRISTINA BUDERER	10/20
BRENT D CARPENTER	10/27
NANCY LYNN COLEMAN	10/02
FRED E CONNER	10/26
PATRICE G DOLLAR-JOHNSON	10/30
STEVEN L GARROTTO	10/09
VIRGINIA K GASEN THENHAUS	10/28
BRIAN W GAULER	10/24
CAROL ALJEAN GEHRS	10/12
SUSAN L GRAY	10/18
STACEY A HAMILTON	10/05
GLYNDA H HENSLEY	10/01
MATTHEW DAVID HERRING	10/11
PATSY BELL HOBSON	10/14
DAVID PAUL HOFFMAN	10/24
RUSSELL DWIGHT HOLMES	10/28
ROBERTA DRIS JENKINS	10/04

EXTENSION, continued

FANNIE M JOHNSON KENDRICK	10/02
ALBERT LEE KENNETT	10/16
JULIE ANN KERR	10/23
NORMAN B LANE	10/09
MICHAEL D MCCULLOUGH	10/22
JO ANN MCDOW	10/28
ROBERT L MERRIMAN	10/05
LEON A MOON	10/05
BEVERLY SUE MORROW	10/01
MICHELE M PFUNDT	10/08
WAYNE R PREWITT	10/08
TERI L REED	10/31
NAOMI REYNOLDS	10/04
OID LUTHER ROBERTSON	10/26
MARTIN DAVID ROPP	10/09
RANDALL D SANER	10/12
MITTIE E SCOTT	10/01
JAMES E SMITH JR	10/07
RICHARD E SPARKS	10/23
SANDRA K STEGALL	10/25
MARK ALAN STEWART	10/06
ELLEN A STROTHER	10/01
JEAN ANNE SUNDET	10/14
SHARON M TRAMMELL	10/06
PATRICIA C TURMAN	10/29
MYRNA REGINA WARD	10/03
DEBORAH LYNN WHISTON	10/22
LYNN COCHRAN WHITE	10/01

September Service Awards...

10 Years of Service

**Anthony Enyart, University Extension**

**UM STAFF ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
1995-96**

<b>Brian McNamee, Chair</b>	<b>882-2316</b>
<b>Nilufer Joseph-Tipton, Vice Chair</b>	<b>882-4713</b>
<b>Tammy Trader, Sec.-Treas.</b>	<b>882-9222</b>
<b>Cuba Plain, Past Chair</b>	<b>882-4614</b>
<b>Joe Asher</b>	<b>882-7652</b>
<b>Bonita Lenger</b>	<b>882-2412</b>
<b>Mary Lu Brown</b>	<b>882-9255</b>
<b>Brenda Dennis</b>	<b>882-3211</b>
<b>Monique Dodson</b>	<b>882-6730</b>
<b>Patricia Leistner</b>	<b>882-4633</b>
<b>Catherine Volmert</b>	<b>882-2707</b>

UM-SAC members are also available through e-mail.

# UNITED WAY HIGHLIGHTS AND INFORMATION

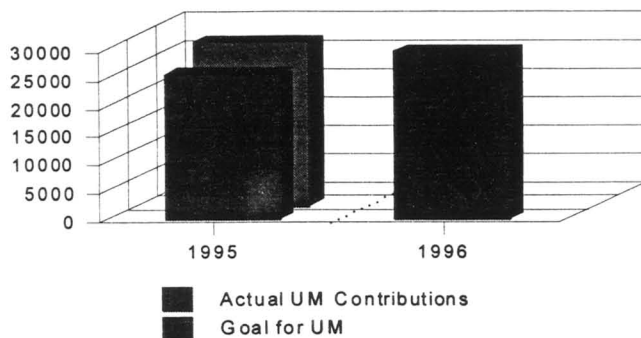
## UM United Way Campaign

UM System and MU United Way Campaign officially began at an 8 a.m. rally Tuesday, Sept. 17, at the Reynolds Alumni Center. The Columbia Area United Way kickoff occurred Friday, Sept. 27, with a breakfast, following which "Day of Caring" volunteers worked on projects for United Way agencies.

Dave Lendt, who coordinates the UM System campaign, says "Last year UM became a contender by exceeding its United Way goal by 13 percent." He credits improved communication, expanded involvement of Staff Advisory Council, the commitment of the administration and "the can-do attitude of UM System people."

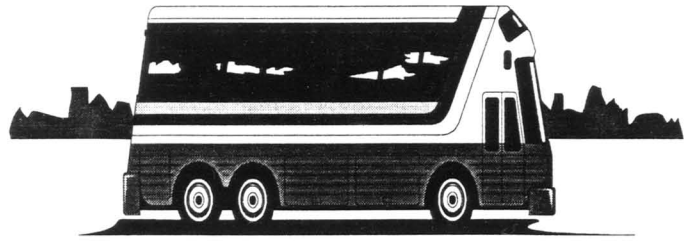
## UM System

1995-1996



Lendt says the 1996 campaign will "raise the bar" to a goal of \$29,500 compared with last year's \$25,500. "The more people become acquainted with United Way" through volunteering for Day of Caring, through visiting United Way agencies and learning what they do, through attending information sessions about the United Way concept of putting local dollars to work locally "the more supportive they become."

Several reminders: (1) United Way puts local dollars to work locally; (2) United Way's 30 agencies help more than 70,000 persons in Central Missouri each year; (3) Donors may select agencies they want to support with their gifts or pledges.



## Employees Tour United Way Agencies

Seventeen UM System Administration employees, joined by two administrators from MU, toured four United Way-supported agencies Friday morning, Sept. 20, to become better acquainted with the services provided and United Way's role in making the services available. The group of 19 visited Advent Enterprises, Meals on Wheels, Central Missouri Food Bank and Rainbow House.

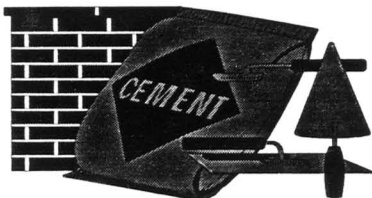
Dave Lendt said the tour "again underscored the fact that giving to these agencies through United Way is the easy part. The people running the agencies and providing human services, in often desperate circumstances, are mid-Missouri's answers to Mother Teresa."

Participants in the tour were Brenda Austin, Mary Lou Brown, Debbie Caselman, Lois Connor, Julie Curry (MU), Brenda Dennis, Monique Dodson, Kee Groshong (MU), Jean Hough, Dave Lendt, Carol McKenzie, Brian McNamee, Janet Meyer, Retha Nichols, Cuba Plain, Wren Roark, Mary Smith, Gay Swyers and Sandra Weisman.

UM System's Kelly Mescher is a Meals on Wheels volunteer and a member of the organization's board of directors. Executive Vice President Jim McGill is a member of the Advent board of directors. "And there are probably a good many other UM System volunteers involved in the 30 United Way agencies," Lendt said.

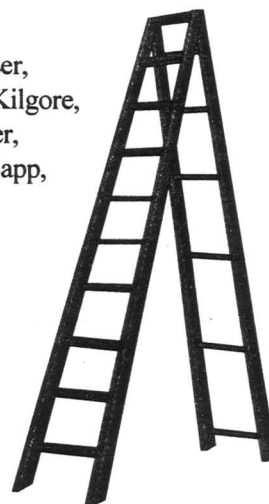
## Nearly 40 volunteer for "Day of Caring"

Nearly 40 employees of the UM System signed up to participate in the 1996 "Day of Caring" Friday, Sept. 27. President Mel George joined the volunteers at the Columbia Area United Way Campaign Kickoff at Columbia Mall. Volunteers were assigned to Bethlehem Home to perform a variety of chores.



"Last year, 18 UM System employees volunteered for a work project for 'Day of Caring,'" said Dave Lendt. "I think it says a lot about the kind of people we work with when that number doubles in one year." Lendt notes that, although UM is very supportive of Day of Caring, it cannot give public employees time off for that purpose. "So, these volunteers give not only their time and effort, but they give their own vacation time to participate."

Day of Caring volunteers are: Brenda Austin, Rita Besleme, Martha Brendel, Loretta Clithero, Blake Danuser, Memoree DeSpain, Monique Dodson, Phil Harrison, Sherri Helm, Donna Johanning, Willie Jones, Sherry Kilgore, Tanna Klein, Pat Leistner, Dave Lendt, Larry Linneman, Michele McFadden, Brian McNamee, Janet Meyer, Kathy Miller, Robert Mullen, Ellen Palmer, Cuba Plain, Trishia Price, Debbie Ricker, David Russell, Mary Sapp, Marilyn Selovich, Mary Sheller, Bob Simmons, Kandis Smith, Mary Smith, Audrey Spieler, Katina Volle, Catherine Volmert, Janet Waibel, MaryAnn Williamson and Carole Wright.



## Points to remember about United Way

- ♦ United Way puts local dollars to work locally.
- ♦ Local persons review **all agencies and their budgets** to confirm that your dollars are effectively invested.
- ♦ You may choose to give or not to give to individual agencies supported by United Way.
- ♦ You may use the University's payroll deduction service to make a more significant gift almost painless.
- ♦ Your contribution helps tens of thousands of neighbors in countless ways through the 30 agencies supported by Columbia Area United Way.

## **UM SYSTEM STAFF ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING DATES**

**October 18, 1996**  
**November 8, 1996**  
**December 13, 1996**  
**January 10, 1997**  
**February 14, 1997**  
**March 14, 1997**  
**April 11, 1997**  
**May 9, 1997**  
**June 13, 1997**  
**July 11, 1997**  
**August 8, 1997**  
**September 12, 1997**

## President and Mrs. George Host United Way Luncheon

President Mel George and his wife, Meta, will be hosts at a luncheon Tuesday, Oct. 1, at Providence Point, in honor of UM System volunteers involved in United Way.

Guests at the luncheon will include members of the campaign Steering Committee, Keypersons and "Day of Caring" volunteers.

*The UM Staff Advisory Council was formed to provide two-way communication between staff and the President on pertinent issues. If you have comments or questions about any subject related to UM System staff, please contact one of your council members. They are there for you!*