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Be mindful, get healthy

The Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction Program (MBSR) offers training in mindfulness meditation, yoga and body scan as a way to manage stress.

Orientation is 5:30 p.m. Sept. 24. Classes are 7:30 p.m. each Wednesday from Oct. 1 to Nov. 19. A retreat will happen 9 a.m.–4 p.m. on Nov. 8.

Cost for each enrollee is \$40, which includes a manual, DVD and CD. A \$20 rebate is available for those attending seven of the eight classes. Register at [regonline.com/mbsrfall2014](https://www.regonline.com/mbsrfall2014) (<https://www.regonline.com/mbsrfall2014>).

For more information, contact Lynn Rossy at rossyl@umsystem.edu.

This course can earn first-time participants 100 points toward the newly expanded 2015 Wellness Incentive, which will pay eligible employees up to \$450 for taking steps to live a healthier life. Learn more at umurl.us/2015well (<http://umurl.us/2015WELL>).

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CASH for student hires

CASH, or Campus Augmenting Student Hires program, is an initiative to increase on-campus job opportunities for students. MU provides up to \$400,000 in matching funds each year to campus offices and departments toward compensating part-time student workers on campus. Each position is eligible for a maximum compensation match of \$1,000 for the academic year.

Learn more at career.missouri.edu/cash (<http://career.missouri.edu/cash>).

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Exhibit shows World War I's impact on Missouri soldiers and citizens

The State Historical Society of Missouri



During World War I, posters encouraging enlistment, buying bonds and crop production to support the war effort were common.

“US OFFICIALLY AT WAR,” screamed the *Daily Missourian*’s boldface, uppercase headline on April 6, 1917. The United States had entered the Great War by declaring war on Germany.

This year, numerous commemorations have been held to remember the Great War, or World War I, that began in Europe 100 years ago, lasting from 1914 to Nov. 11, 1918. Eight and a half million soldiers and 7 million civilians died in the fighting.

Through Oct. 20, the exhibit “Missouri and World War I” will be presented in the Corridor Gallery of the [State Historical Society](http://shs.umsystem.edu/index.shtml) (<http://shs.umsystem.edu/index.shtml>) in Ellis Library. It examines war’s impact on the lives of Missourians through photographs, letters, newspapers, propaganda posters and war artifacts. Most of the 50 displays were provided by MU’s Museum of Anthropology, MU’s Museum of Art and Archaeology, and the collection of Missourian John R. Forderhase.

Organizers hope that the show helps viewers understand the war's impact on Missourians and gives a sense of the period's cultural and political climate, said Claire Presley Marks, associate historian at the society.

More than 4 million male American citizens between ages 18 and 31, including 156,000 Missourians, headed abroad to the bloody trenches and open fields. Eleven thousand Missourians died. Six received the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Back home, Missouri farmers expanded their crop fields to help feed the war-torn states of Britain and France. Ranchers supplied the U.S. military with hundreds of mules to pull wagons loaded with soldiers and artillery. Missouri women filled jobs vacated by the young men fighting in "the war to end all wars."



U.S. soldier Rubi Garrett, a lawyer from Kansas City, was a chief signal officer in the Great War. Garrett is shown testing a telephone confiscated from the Germans.

World War I marks the beginning of modern warfare, exemplified by the use of efficient mass killing methods like machine guns, aerial bombing, chemical weaponry and heavy artillery fitted on armored vehicles. So it is sometimes forgotten that swords were also used in battle, though mostly only in the first weeks of the Great War. A sword-wielding soldier was no match for contemporary killing technology. Swords soon were relegated to ceremonial use.

John H. Patrick brought his brass and steel sword home to Higbee, Missouri, after serving in the 29th Engineer Battalion, and it is part of the exhibit. Also included are Patrick's German and American gas masks he brought back.

The contraptions essentially are a faceplate with glass eye holes connected to a cloth accordion tube, giving the wearer an elephant appearance. The tube led to a metal canister filled with an anti-chemical cocktail inhaled by the soldier. Though the masks were cutting edge technology then, to a modern eye they resemble cheap Halloween costumes.

Communication methods during the war mixed the old and the new. Runners and dogs, flags and rocket signals were used to relay messages between commanders. But so were field telephones, connected to manually laid lines unwound from a

signal officer's backpack.



An unidentified soldier from Missouri places flowers on the grave of a fallen comrade. About 8.5 million soldiers died in World War I fighting.

In the gallery is a photo of U.S. soldier Rubi Garrett, a lawyer from Kansas City who became a chief signal officer in the war. Wearing the iconic inverted bowl military helmet donned by Americans and the British, the bespeckled Garrett is shown testing a field telephone confiscated from the Germans.

In today's world of email, text messaging and word processors, it feels nostalgic to see in the exhibit the slanted cursive handwriting in diaries and letters, enlarged and displayed as wall text. In the sometimes barely legible pages, soldiers describe everyday duties and the horrors of war. One letter is from Dix Teachenor, a Missourian stationed at Base Hospital No. 28 in Limoges, France. Teachenor saw firsthand the power of the new war technology to destroy the human body beyond repair.

"It seems so unnecessary for young men to die from bad wounds in war," Teachenor wrote his mother. "For each one, I think of their mother at home."

The gallery, located on the ground floor of Ellis Library facing Lowry Mall, is open 8 a.m.–4:45 p.m. Tuesday–Friday and 8 a.m.–3:30 p.m. Saturday.

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Faculty Council

Faculty Council discussed July 24 the method behind faculty raises, the provost search and the formation of a fact-finding committee regarding the School of Medicine.

Dennis Miller, an associate professor of psychological sciences, said that several School of Medicine faculty have requested an examination of the relationship between the school's faculty and administrators. Miller emphasized that the task force would be involved only in fact-finding. "This is not an investigation," Miller said.

The task force would begin meeting during fall semester.

Council members continue to ask administrators about the method behind annual merit raises and midyear faculty raises, the latter given this year to high-performing faculty.

Midyear raises were meted out to faculty who administrators say are doing exemplar work that might help MU better its standing in the Association of American Universities. Galen Suppes, a professor in the chemical engineering department, said there needed to be more transparency and faculty input about the process of choosing who received midterm raises.

As for merit raises given out last September, some council members contend that only a small number of faculty received one. But according to a July 14 letter to council members obtained by *Mizzou Weekly* from Faculty Council that was written by Interim Provost Ken Dean, 59 percent of faculty and staff received merit raises. This breaks down to 1,626 faculty and 3,531 staff receiving a pay increase.

"This occurred without any mandate from the campus as to an average percentage goal to be achieved, allowing each unit to decide how much it could afford to allocate," Dean wrote.

Meanwhile, the process of finding the next provost continues. Harry Tyrer, a professor of electrical and computer engineering and member of the provost search committee, said it is unlikely the new provost will be announced by end of September, the original goal.

The next [Faculty Council](http://facultycouncil.missouri.edu/meetings/index.html) meeting is Sept. 4.

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Mark McAndrew, BS BA '75, announces his \$2.4 million gift to the University of Missouri School of Medicine to create the Frances T. McAndrew Endowed Chair in Oncology in honor of his late Aunt Frances, who was a patient at Ellis Fischel Cancer Center. Photo by Rob Hill.

Everybody has been touched by cancer. Chancellor R. Bowen Loftin's mother, grandmother and great-grandmother died from the disease. So did Mark McAndrew's mother and sister. When his Aunt Frances died May 19, 2013, from cancer, he was motivated to do something.

McAndrew, BS BA '75, of McKinney, Texas, announced today a gift of \$2 million to the [University School of Medicine](http://medicine.missouri.edu) ([http://medicine.missouri.edu/](http://medicine.missouri.edu)) to create the Frances T. McAndrew Endowed Chair in Oncology and \$400,000 to fund MU Curators [Professor M. Frederick Hawthorne's cancer research](http://mizzoumag.missouri.edu/2014/05/chronic-success/) (<http://mizzoumag.missouri.edu/2014/05/chronic-success/>).

"My Aunt Frances was a special person," McAndrew said, choking back tears. "She was goofy, she was funny, she was silly. She was always selfless, even when she was struggling with this disease."

That selflessness impressed Noah Wald-Dickler, a Mizzou medical student who was part of the health care team who treated Frances McAndrew during her stay at [Ellis Fischel](http://www.muhealth.org/locations/ellisfischelcancercenter/) (<http://www.muhealth.org/locations/ellisfischelcancercenter/>). Through his interactions with her, he was inspired to write an essay for the [Legacy Teachers Program](http://medicine.missouri.edu/legacy/) (<http://medicine.missouri.edu/legacy/>), which celebrates patients as teachers in medical students' training. In his essay written in 2012, Wald-Dickler recounted his first meeting with Frances as she was undergoing an uncomfortable cervical exam.

“I saw Ms. McAndrew’s face wince,” he wrote. “Without thinking, I reached out and took hold of her hand. My gesture was reciprocated by a series of hand squeezes that I couldn’t be sure weren’t more to comfort me than from the certain pain she was experiencing.”

The next morning when Wald-Dickler returned to check on Frances McAndrew, he was certain she wouldn’t remember who he was. But she did: “Where’s that sweet, sweet boy Noah from the clinic? I just want to tell him I didn’t mean to squeeze his hand so tight yesterday. Oh, I hope he’s all right.”

Throughout the year and a half Frances McAndrew was treated at Ellis Fischel, Wald-Dickler got to know her and her family, always by her side, offering words of comfort and support to one another.

“Not all the epidemiology, pathophysiology, technical skills or clinical experience I acquire in my medical training will remain more prominent in my mind than the lessons Frances and her family taught me. As I progress in knowledge and competence, I can only hope that I can convey even a small piece of the compassion and strength that the McAndrews live each and every day,” wrote Wald-Dickler, MD ’13, who is now an internal medicine resident at the Keck School of Medicine at the University of Southern California.

Joining Mark McAndrew at the gift announcement were 11 McAndrew family members and friends, including Frances McAndrew’s daughters Cathy Randolph, Chris Curtis and Heidi Schutte and son Thomas McAndrew.

“She would have been shocked [by Mark McAndrew’s gift],” Randolph said. “She would have wondered why she was getting attention when there are so many people out there who need help.”

Hal Williamson Jr., executive vice chancellor for Health Affairs, assured the gift will help people who need help.

“The gift will advance the [University of Missouri Health System \(http://muhealth.org/\)](http://muhealth.org/)’s mission of providing world-class cancer care at our Ellis Fischel Cancer Center,” Williamson said. “But not only is it about caring for and treating people who are living with cancer, but the creation of this endowed chair position will also help enhance and extend the university’s research efforts, with the ultimate goal of finding a cure for cancer.”

Mark McAndrew’s ties to MU Health Care go deeper than his aunt. When he was in his senior year at Mizzou in 1974, his oldest daughter, Emily Padalino, was born. But if he hadn’t been a student at the University of Missouri and if his family hadn’t have been at [University Hospital \(http://www.muhealth.org/locations/universityhospital/\)](http://www.muhealth.org/locations/universityhospital/), his daughter might not be alive today.

“At that time, the fetal monitor was new technology,” McAndrew said. “Without that, she would not be here today because during labor, her heart stopped. I think it took about four minutes for her to be delivered by emergency C-section. At any other hospital in the area at the time, she would have been born stillborn. I truly owe this medical center and this university so much.”

Mark McAndrew has now given more than \$3.8 million to MU, including \$1.4 million [to fund the University of Missouri Flagship Scholars program \(http://mizzoumagarchives.missouri.edu/2008-fall/features/flagship-scholars/index.php\)](http://mizzoumagarchives.missouri.edu/2008-fall/features/flagship-scholars/index.php) in Clark County, Missouri.

“I hope to see the day when there is no need for a chair in oncology, that we come up with a cure for this terrible disease,” McAndrew said. “Until then, hopefully this gift will, in some way, save a life or extend a life or at least improve the quality of people’s lives in the state of Missouri.”

— Kelsey Allen

This story first appeared at [MIZZOU \(https://mizzoumag.missouri.edu/2014/08/honoring-aunt-frances/\)](https://mizzoumag.missouri.edu/2014/08/honoring-aunt-frances/) magazine online (<https://mizzoumag.missouri.edu/2014/08/honoring-aunt-frances/>).

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Missouri Research Consortium to receive \$20 million grant to study impacts of climate variability

MU and eight other Missouri higher education institutions have received a \$20 million grant from the National Science Foundation to fund a study on climate change and its potential impact on the state's agricultural, ecology and economy.

"The Missouri Transect: Climate, Plants and Community" project is expected to take five years.

The project "will model and predict short- and long-term changes in climate and determine the impact on these important plant ecosystems, as well as on the communities that rely on them," said [John Walker \(http://biology.missouri.edu/people/?person=156\)](http://biology.missouri.edu/people/?person=156), Curators Professor of Biological Sciences and director of the [Division of Biological Sciences \(http://biology.missouri.edu/\)](http://biology.missouri.edu/). Walker is the principal investigator of the project.

Besides the four University of Missouri System campuses, the other participants in the project are the Donald Danforth Plant Sciences Center, Washington University, Lincoln University, the St. Louis Science Center and St. Louis University. The collaborative is known as the Missouri Research Consortium.

The project will draw on each institution's research expertise in plant sciences, atmospheric and environmental sciences, bioinformatics engineering, social sciences, and science outreach and education. It is comprised of four interdisciplinary teams in the areas of climate, plant biology, community resilience and education/outreach.

"The collaboration among institutions as well as scientific disciplines will help drive the state's research infrastructure and competitiveness," said Hank Foley, executive vice president for academic affairs, research and economic development at the UM System and senior vice chancellor for research and graduate studies at MU. "It also will provide opportunities to move research from the lab to the marketplace and thus spur innovation and entrepreneurship."

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Ellen de Graffenreid has extensive experience in health care communications



Ellen de Graffenreid starts Tuesday as vice chancellor for marketing and communications of University Affairs. De Graffenreid brings to the position 20 years experience in higher education, academic medicine and the private technology sector.

"I am excited to have the opportunity to lead a talented staff in developing an integrated marketing strategy that conveys the quality of the people, programs and discoveries that make up one of this nation's premier land-grant universities," she said in a statement.

Chris Koukola, who retired Jan. 31, 2014, had led the division for nearly 28 years. Since February, Mary Jo Banken has been interim division leader and will return to her role as director of MU News Bureau.

For 20 months, from January 2013 to July 2014, de Graffenreid was senior vice president of communications at Brandeis University, a private liberal arts college of 5,400 students near Boston that is a member of the Association of American Universities.

She has extensive experience in health care communications. De Graffenreid was director of communications and marketing at Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center at the University of North Carolina from 2009 to 2013, and director of health sciences communication and marketing at the University of Louisville from 2004 to 2009.

Her work experience also includes more than three years as vice president of communications and donor relations at the Washington State University Foundation, which raises money for the institution in southeastern Washington, and three and a half years at several private technology companies.

She received her bachelor's degree in history in 1991 from Indiana University in Bloomington where she was named to Phi Beta Kappa. De Graffenreid also holds a master's in Russian history and an MBA, both from the University of North Carolina.

"I am looking forward to working with her as Mizzou continues to position itself as one of the premier land-grant research institutions in the nation," Chancellor R. Bowen Loftin said.

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Students take part in Tiger Walk on the Francis Quadrangle Aug. 24. Preliminary enrollment records show a significant increase in high-achieving students in MU's freshman class. Photo by Rob Hill.

Scholarships credited with attracting high-ability students

MU welcomed a record-breaking 34,935 students on the first day of classes Aug. 25. The number of first-time college students is the second largest in the school's history at 6,546, up from last year's 6,227 and just behind 2012's first-time college enrollment of 6,560. The fall 2014 student body set records in total, undergraduate, minority, international and online enrollment, as well as high-ability students and retention rate.

Preliminary enrollment records show a significant increase in high-achieving students in the entering class. There was a 25 percent increase in students who scored a 30 or higher on the ACT, which increased the average ACT score for incoming students to 25.9 compared to 25.7 in 2013.

Ann Korschgen, vice provost for enrollment management, attributed the increase in high-ability students to the new scholarship initiatives that were announced in September 2013.

First-time college students enrolling in the fall 2014 semester could apply for the new [Chancellor's Award](http://financialaid.missouri.edu/types-of-aid/scholarships/scholarships/chancellors-fund-for-excellence/index.php) (<http://financialaid.missouri.edu/types-of-aid/scholarships/scholarships/chancellors-fund-for-excellence/index.php>) worth \$6,500; the expanded [Curators Award](http://financialaid.missouri.edu/types-of-aid/scholarships/scholarships/curators-award/index.php) (<http://financialaid.missouri.edu/types-of-aid/scholarships/scholarships/curators-award/index.php>) worth \$4,500 (previous value was \$3,500); and the expanded [Mark Twain Nonresident Scholarship](http://financialaid.missouri.edu/types-of-aid/scholarships/scholarships/mark-twain-nonresident-scholarship/index.php) (<http://financialaid.missouri.edu/types-of-aid/scholarships/scholarships/mark-twain-nonresident-scholarship/index.php>) ranging from \$5,000 to \$10,000 (previous range was \$2,000 to \$5,500). There are 560 Bright Flight recipients, 288 Curators Scholars and 379 Chancellor's Scholars in the freshman class.

Applications from out-of-state students continue to grow, increasing by 370 from last year and by 1,454 from two years ago, with increased activity in Texas and Illinois. Nearly 40 percent of the first-time college student class is nonresidents.

Applications from Missouri residents declined again this year, which Korschgen said is due in part to the decrease in high school graduates in the state. Even so, new student enrollment from Missouri residents increased by 4.1 percent.

Minority enrollment is up 5.3 percent to 5,386, and total international enrollment is up 10.1 percent to 2,323 compared to opening day 2013.

Some disciplines will see more students in the classroom this fall. First-time college student enrollment is up in business, engineering, journalism and health professions. [Mizzou Online \(http://online.missouri.edu/\)](http://online.missouri.edu/) also saw record enrollment figures for fall 2014. Students enrolled in 23,734 credit hours of 100-percent online course work, a 20 percent increase from fall 2013. There are 2,245 distance students working toward their degrees at MU.

Final enrollment figures for fall 2014 will be released after census day, Sept. 22.

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Gary Ward is credited with developing the Mizzou Stewardship Model



Gary Ward has been named vice chancellor of operations and chief operating officer of the University of Missouri, Chancellor R. Bowen Loftin announced Tuesday. Since Jan. 1, Ward has been serving in the position on an interim basis following the retirement of Jacquelyn Jones. The appointment is effective Monday.

“Gary has done an exceptional job over the past several months and has helped us move forward in several areas,” Loftin said in a news release. Loftin praised Ward’s track record of utilizing existing campus resources and developing new, efficient and effective means in building management.

He singled out Ward’s creation of the Mizzou Stewardship Model, which involves renovating several buildings at once, as in the Renew Mizzou project, while improving and expanding teaching and laboratory space. The approach is highly cost-efficient.

Ward, who started at MU Aug. 1, 2005, will direct university planning and facilities operations in this position. University departments for which Ward provides administrative oversight of financial and service operations include Campus Facilities, MU Police, Parking and Transportation Services, Printing Services, the Sustainability Office, and Environmental Health and Safety.

“I would like to thank Chancellor Loftin for having the confidence in me to serve as the vice chancellor of operations,” Ward said. “I look forward to working closely with faculty and students as we structure our services and products to help meet Mizzou’s academic goals. My staff and I take our responsibilities of maintaining the safety, functionality and beauty of the state’s flagship university very seriously and will continue to ensure that we are spending our public dollars wisely and in a way that will benefit all our faculty, staff and students.”

Before being named interim leader, Ward was MU’s associate vice chancellor of facilities, where he oversaw the completion of more than \$500 million in construction projects, the addition of 2.2 million gross square feet to campus space and the establishment in 2009 of the MU Sustainability Office.

After years working for architecture firms, Ward in 1998 became director of the Physical Plant at the University of Oklahoma. In 2002 he was named director of Physical Plant Operations at Pennsylvania State University.

Ward holds a bachelor's degree in environmental design and a master's in business administration from the University of Oklahoma.

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