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### Employees' home interior a throwback to bygone age



Pat Guinan, left, and his partner, Steve Getz, decorate their home with midcentury furniture and art. Photo by Kyle Spradley.

Though ill, University Hospital worker drove hundreds of miles to buy art deco piece

Pat Guinan fills his free time and home with a hobby.

Stepping into the front door of Guinan's home is like stepping out of a time machine. "It's like a time warp in here," said Pat's partner, Steve Getz, gazing around the eclectic collection of sculptures, paintings and furniture.

Guinan and Getz are antiquers, often traveling far and wide across the Midwest to add to their collection. Each room is furnished in midcentury modern pieces, contributing to the feeling of a set on an early James Bond movie.

Guinan is Missouri's state extension climatologist and associate extension professor of climatology for the [School of Natural Resources \(http://snr.missouri.edu\)](http://snr.missouri.edu) at the University of Missouri. Getz is a registered nurse at University Hospital.

Guinan was introduced to the antiquing game by Getz when they met in 2000. Getz got his toes wet earlier when a friend brought him to the now-closed Ice Chalet Antique Mall in Columbia. As Guinan and Getz began frequenting the mall together, they discovered that they both enjoyed art deco.



“Over time, the sort of stuff we liked evolved,” Guinan said.

Everything in their ranch-style home is from the 1950s through the 1970s. From the two walnut-frame couches in the living room to the kitchen table designed by Eero Saarinen, who also designed the St. Louis Gateway Arch, the pieces have years of embedded memories.

“This table right here in front of us has history,” said Guinan, pointing to the maze-like metal sculpture table in his living room designed by Italian artist Marcello Fantoni.

One day while sick with the flu, Getz started browsing the Internet for anything for sale within driving distance to add to their collection. On Craigslist, he saw the Fantoni table listed for a reasonable price. But it was in Wichita, Kansas.

Despite being sick, Getz “hopped in his car and drove right over to Kansas to pick it up,” laughed Guinan.

Besides Craigslist, Guinan and Getz buy items from eBay, antique stores, auctions and estate sales to add to their collection. Getz said they have even sold a few of their acquired pieces at an auction in Chicago to “change it up. It’s fun to switch out old pieces for new ones,” he said.

As you may expect, Guinan and Getz often see some of their art on television shows, such as *Mad Men*, set in the 1960s, and *I Dream of Genie*, which ran from 1965 to 1970.

“Oh look! It’s our Saarinen table. Look, it’s our cyclone table!” said Pat, mimicking their reaction.

Guinan and Getz said that things can get competitive during searches. Furniture hunters, for example, sometimes camp out up to three nights in front of an estate sale to get furniture pieces.

“There’s a lot of competition going on there,” Guinan said.

— Madison Knapp

This story first appeared on the [College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources website \(http://cafnrnews.com/2014/08/mid-century-in-mid-missouri/\)](http://cafnrnews.com/2014/08/mid-century-in-mid-missouri/).

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### **Faculty Council discusses IT restructuring, the MUSOP and Title IX training**

Council member says “substantial announcement” coming soon on provost search

Faculty Council took part in a discussion Oct. 9 on restructuring MU’s Division of Information Technology. Leading the discussion was guest Gary Allen, University of Missouri System vice president for information technology and MU chief information officer.

The administration is examining ways to streamline MU’s information technology department, which has about 300 employees. The campus’s wireless network needs to be strengthened, Allen said. “We are on an unsustainable path. We are not optimally oriented to maintain the IT infrastructure,” he said.

But more funding is needed to strengthen it.

Allen is starting a “conversation” with staff, faculty and administrators to develop a plan that restructures IT. “None of this is about laying people off,” Allen said. “It’s about [IT employees] doing something more exciting than managing servers.”

#### **MUSOP and Title IX**

Council members also talked about the [MU Strategic Operating Plan \(http://strategicoperatingplan.missouri.edu/\)](http://strategicoperatingplan.missouri.edu/) (MUSOP).

Within MUSOP is a strategy to enhance MU’s academic stature as measured by the metrics important to the Association of American Universities. The four metrics identify faculty who receive federal funds for research, have earned membership in national academies, have been honored with awards and fellowships, and whose work is cited in top academic journals.

MUSOP includes giving raises to and hiring faculty strong in the four metrics. Funding comes from state funds and reallocation of 2 percent of MU’s base operating budget for four years, beginning fiscal 2015.

The plan also includes improving the student experience. It says in the plan that this is through developing “attractive scholarships and other financial aid, as well as highly respected academic programs.”

But several council members pointed out that junior faculty positions are not being filled because of reallocation of departmental funds. This could hurt some students’ education. “One could say we are taking money away from students when we aren’t filling positions,” said Nicole Monnier, associate teaching professor of Russian and German studies.

The next topic was Executive Order 41 and its relationship to Title IX policies. The order by UM System President Tim Wolfe summarizes revisions to the Collected Rules and Regulations in areas of sex discrimination, sexual harassment, sexual misconduct and student conduct procedures. The Board of Curators approved the revisions this month.

Faculty Chair Craig Roberts said the revisions are a “welcome change.” However, some faculty are concerned about what they characterize as the late rollout in training. Since Wolfe’s Executive Order 40 on April 7, 2014, all employees not exempted due to legal obligations to maintain confidentiality are mandatory reporters.

“I feel it is unconscionable that we have not gotten any training,” Monnier said. “We are now liable and vulnerable.”

But things are moving forward in MU's Title IX Office. The office has [expanded its website \(http://title9.missouri.edu/\)](http://title9.missouri.edu/) to offer online reporting of an incident, information in emergency situations, and rights and responsibilities. There is also general information on Title IX reporting and procedures.

## **Provost Search**

Finally, Harry Tyrer, a professor of electrical and computer engineering, gave an update on the provost search. A "substantial announcement" is expected on the search before end of October, Tyrer said.

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"I look at a block and imagine where the pieces are," said Steven Winters, an associate director of Student Information Systems. "I have a pretty good imagination." Winters is shown displaying his works during Staff Recognition Week last May. Photo by Shane Epping.

Since boyhood, Steven Winters has been fascinated by the craft of woodcarving

To the casual observer, it's a block of wood. To Steven Winters, it's endless possibilities.

Winters, an associate director of [Student Information Systems \(http://sis.missouri.edu/\)](http://sis.missouri.edu/), turns basswood into whimsical cottages, mysterious gnomes, proud-looking wildlife and ornamental furniture pieces.

"I look at a block and imagine where the pieces are," Winters said. "I have a pretty good imagination."

More than 10 years after his first woodcarving experience, Winters returned to the craft. His creations were on display last May at the arts and crafts showcase during Staff Recognition Week.

In 1983, Winters earned a degree in petroleum engineering from the University of Missouri Science and Technology in Rolla. The timing was bad. Two years earlier, the American oil industry had collapsed as refineries focused on buying cheaper oil overseas. Petroleum jobs vanished.

Winters switched careers by accepting an information technology job at MU. Nine years later, he earned a master's in computer science.

Through it all, Winters retained his fascination with woodworking. As a boy, he watched woodcarvers ply their trade at the Silver Dollar City theme park near Branson, Missouri.





A ram carved from basswood. Photo by Shane Epping.

Finally, in 1999, Winters signed up for a weeklong seminar at Mark Adams Woodworking in Franklin, Indiana.

After completing the seminar, however, Winters took on a project bigger than chiseling basswood in to shapes. He built his home. It would be more than a decade before he returned to his boyhood love.

Several years ago, Winters began taking part in carving sessions and workshops organized by the Mid-Missouri Wood Carvers, which meets at the Columbia Senior Center. He has since created dozens of pieces.

“When you get a block of wood, you whack away at it, and you are in control,” Winters said of the process. “But when you get down to the details, the piece controls you.”

Finding art in wood has its perks.

“I can slow down and relax when carving,” he said. “It is an outlet.”

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Walter Peters, CSA president and senior partner, left, and Mitch Wasden, MU Health Care chief executive officer and chief operating officer, jointly announced the affiliation Monday at University Hospital. Photo by Justin Kelley.

Relationship expands physicians' pool for employees choosing a 2015 health benefit plan

Collaboration of service-oriented professions can mean cost savings and better service for clients. This year, the University of Missouri Health System has been at the forefront of collaboration in central Missouri health care.

Over the summer, health officials announced the creation of the [Health Network of Missouri \(.//35-33/collaborative/index.php.html\)](http://www.muhealth.org/35-33/collaborative/index.php.html), a collaborative among six Missouri health systems that includes MU Health Care. The network allows for sharing business, clinical and operational practices and creating more effective ways to coordinate health care.

On Monday, affiliation between [MU Health Care \(http://www.muhealth.org/\)](http://www.muhealth.org/) and [Columbia Surgical Associates \(http://columbiasurgical.com/\)](http://columbiasurgical.com/) (CSA) was announced to expand care access for patients in central Missouri. This affiliation, which goes into effect Jan. 1, 2015, is different from those in the Health Network of Missouri because it establishes a corporation between MU and the CSA, even as both maintain their individual identity.



## GOALS OF AFFILIATION

- Improving efficiency in the delivery of health care services for patients in central Missouri and throughout the state
- Building on Columbia's already-excellent reputation as a destination for specialty surgical care
- Facilitating the development, implementation and monitoring of best practices for improving patient outcomes
- Giving CSA patients the option of using MU Health Care hospitals and clinics for surgical procedures
- Creating new opportunities for MU School of Medicine faculty and community physicians to collaborate on teaching the next generation of health care providers
- Continuing to expand use of the electronic medical record and similar technology

*Source: University of Missouri Health System*

[\(affiliation.pdf\)](#)

Even so, the MU-CSA partnership and the Health Network of Missouri share the same goal. "Both are focused on a collaborative approach to tracking and improving patient care," said Carrie Gartner, director of communications and public relations at the UM Health System.

CSA is comprised of 10 surgeons specializing in general, bariatric, vascular, colorectal and breast cancer surgery and 35 other health professionals, support and administrative staff. The new affiliation means surgeons will have privileges at University Hospital, MU Women's and Children's Hospital and other MU Health Care facilities.

CSA physicians are covered after deductible in the [Custom Network Plan \(.../36-2/article/index.php.html\)](#), a UM System 2015 health benefits option for benefit-eligible employees living or working in greater Columbia. However, if a CSA physician performs surgery in an out-of-network hospital, only the surgeon's fees are covered by the plan, said Kellie Holland, UM System manager of communications and education.

The PPO and Healthy Savings plans use a broader nationwide network of providers than that of the Custom Network Plan. Employees with these plans have more in-network facilities to choose from, including Boone Hospital Center, for a procedure by a CSA surgeon, Holland said. (To compare medical plans, click [here](#) ([https://www.umsystem.edu/totalrewards/2015\\_annual\\_enrollment](https://www.umsystem.edu/totalrewards/2015_annual_enrollment)) then the tab "Columbia" under "Annual Enrollment Decision Guide.")

At the announcement, CSA president and senior partner Walter Peters said the relationship with MU Health Care means better and more affordable health care for more people. "We can offer patients the right care at the right time and at the

right place,” Peters said.

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Research findings could help improve elementary math instruction



MU education researchers will receive nearly \$2.3 million from the National Science Foundation over the next four years to study learning outcomes in mathematics of elementary students in relation to teaching expertise and classroom assignments.

The researchers will monitor the impact of using elementary teachers certified through a two-year study program. They will also monitor how the specialists are utilized, such as whether they teach all subjects to one class or teach multiple sections of mathematics to different classes.

The results will help officials determine how their elementary teaching staff can provide high-quality mathematics instruction, said Barbara Reys, Curators Professor and Lois Knowles Faculty Fellow in the College of Education.

“In the United States, most elementary teachers are generalists, unlike middle or high school teachers who focus on specific content areas,” Reys said. The teachers often lack expertise in mathematics.

But research has shown that mathematics learning for elementary students “improves when their teachers have mathematical knowledge and expertise,” Reys said.

In 2012, the Missouri State Board of Education approved the Elementary Mathematics Specialist (EMS) certificate, a program that recognizes 24 hours of graduate-level coursework and focuses on improving the mathematics content and teaching expertise of elementary teachers. In 2013, MU and four other Missouri institutions began to implement the program, which is one of only several nationwide. [MU's EMS graduate certificate](http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/collegeofeducation/additionalminorsandcertificates/grad-certif-elem-math-special/) (<http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/collegeofeducation/additionalminorsandcertificates/grad-certif-elem-math-special/>) is designed for K-6 teachers working full time. The courses are scheduled over a 2-year cycle beginning in the fall semester.

Reys and a team of MU researchers, including Corey Webel, an assistant professor of mathematics education, will study teaching and student learning in multiple Missouri public schools. For the study, 40 teachers who have earned an EMS certificate will be assigned to teach two or more sections of mathematics. Forty other EMS-certified instructors will teach all subjects to their students. In another group, 40 non-EMS teachers will teach all subjects to their students. At the end of the

school year, the researchers will compare students' mathematics performance to gauge the impact of each instructional model.

Webel said the aim of the project is to advance a discussion about supporting improved teaching of mathematics at the elementary level.

"We know that having teachers who know mathematics and can use it to design and implement sound instruction corresponds to stronger student performance," he said. "Exploring ways to provide more students with access to these teachers is important."

The researchers are recruiting school districts and teachers to participate in the study, which will be implemented in schools during the 2015-16 and 2016-17 school years.

— Jesslyn Chew

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### **Women's conference speakers needed**

MU's Women's Leadership Conference, scheduled on campus for March 14, 2015, needs engaging speakers for its breakout sessions. MU staff, faculty and students are welcome to apply.

The conference is titled "empowHER." Sessions focus on networking, education, empowerment and diversity.

Attendees are mostly college-age women from the Columbia community who are interested in learning more about becoming a leader.

[Proposal submissions \(http://wlc.missouri.edu/session-proposal/\)](http://wlc.missouri.edu/session-proposal/) can be made until 5 p.m. Nov. 28. For more information, visit the [Women's Leadership Conference website \(http://wlc.missouri.edu/\)](http://wlc.missouri.edu/).

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