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Resetting our sights

John Gardner, author of The Freshman Year Experience, emphasizes the importance of undergraduate education

Ten years ago — the last time John Gardner visited MU — a group of undergraduate students was protesting the University's investments in companies that supported apartheid in South Africa. Now, apartheid has ended, but that is only one of the many changes that brought Gardner back to MU to speak last Thursday in the Electrical Engineering Auditorium.

Gardner is the director of the highly acclaimed "University 101" freshman seminar at the University of South Carolina, where he has taught since 1970. He won

the Amoco award for outstanding teaching in 1975 and is the author of *Your College Experience, Only the Beginning* and *Step by Step to College Success*.

During his speech, Gardner delineated the importance of refocusing on undergraduate education and discussed MU's efforts to do so. "MU is doing a lot to improve student learning," Gardner said.

With a wide array of student organizations — 440 at last count — MU encourages student involvement. Students learn better in peer groups and when they feel a

sense of community, he said, and pointed to such positive MU programs as the Freshman Interest Groups and other living-learning communities in residence halls. Mizzou offers undergraduate students another advantage, he said. It is largely a residential university, and students who live on campus are more likely to return the next year.

Students need feedback and active learning, and MU still has work to do, Gardner said. Large lecture classes with only one or two tests a year and with no writing or speaking assignments thwart learning. Another problem he sees at MU is that students are not required to attend orientation. Gardner pointed to a direct correlation between retention rates and student orientation.

Improving student advising at MU is another challenge, he said. "The students I talked to this morning said that this is one area at MU that needs a fix."

Mizzou is not alone in facing those challenges. Because of several major world changes since 1986, many other research universities are encountering these same problems, Gardner said. For instance, universities

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Honoring diversity



Curator Malaika Horne spoke at a ceremony March 26 where the University community honored the winners of MU's third annual Human Rights and Diversity Enhancement Awards.

Steve Zumbro photo

Five individuals from the University and Columbia communities took center stage last Tuesday at the Reynolds Alumni and Visitor Center. MU honored them for their extraordinary commitment to diversity and human rights. They are the 1996 recipients of the third annual Human Rights and Diversity Enhancement Awards.

"This program serves as a major vehicle for recognizing those who contribute to the rich diversity of university life at MU and to our community," said KC Morrison, vice provost for minority affairs and faculty development. "The awardees this year are an especially strong group whose

works are well known and deserving. MU is proud to honor them and to benefit from their generosity."

Malaika Horne, vice president of the Board of Curators, spoke at the ceremony and Provost Edward Sheridan presented the awards to the following individuals:

- **Jean Campbell**, research assistant professor in the School of Medicine, received the Human Rights Achievement Award. Campbell has dedicated her life to the struggle for social justice for people with psychiatric disabilities. As a person with mental illness, she is a first-hand expert in bringing a human face to the needs and aspirations of the mentally ill. She founded the Consumer/Survivor Mental Health Research and Policy Work Group

- and Well Being Programs Inc.
- **Robert Bailey**, assistant dean, academic adviser and lecturer at the School of Law, received the Staff Diversity Enhancement Award. Bailey works to improve the human condition of those who have suffered in the face of discrimination. Bailey was chairman of the Martin Luther King Jr. events committee in 1995-96 and currently serves as board president of the Family Health Center, which provides low-income families with affordable health care. He also is active in efforts to recruit and retain minority students.
- **Wynna Faye Elbert**, a recreation

supervisor for the city of Columbia, received the Community Diversity Enhancement Award. Elbert has dedicated her life to improving her community and the conditions for minorities. She has participated in a plethora of activities within the community, including sit-ins and demonstrations to gain equal rights for the black community. She was the first tenant representative to serve as commissioner for the Columbia Housing Authority, and was involved in saving Boone County's black heritage by developing a pictorial and oral history of Columbia's black community.

- **Helen Neville**, assistant professor of psychology and in the Black Studies Program, received the Faculty Diversity Enhancement Award. Neville has helped to increase the diversity of students in MU's psychology doctoral program. Since joining the faculty in 1993, she has dedicated her efforts to promoting diversity. Neville has designed or co-designed five new diversity-related courses at MU, including a course in African-American psychology. She is regarded as an outstanding scholar, instructor and adviser by her peers and students.
- **Joe Goetz**, an undergraduate majoring in psychology, received the Student Diversity Enhancement Award. Goetz has a genuine concern and passion to make a difference for women's rights and the disabled. He initiated Students Walking Students, a program that responds to the concerns of women who have walked alone on campus at night. He also founded Men Organized Against Rape. He is a community adviser for international students, has supervised more than 200 volunteers in student services, and is a member of the Mystical Seven honorary.



INFO EXTRAVAGANZA

Sure, there'll be plenty of freebies — popcorn and Coke, posters, scratch pads and door prizes, free admission, even free parking (with a campus hangtag). But that's not the main reason you should plan to attend EXPO '96 next Thursday.

You just might learn something. The day-long information extravaganza is sponsored by MU's Business Services and Campus Facilities to showcase some of the products and services they have to offer faculty, staff and students. EXPO '96 will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 11 in the Hearnes Center. You can drop by over the noon

hour — concession booths will be selling lunch selections.

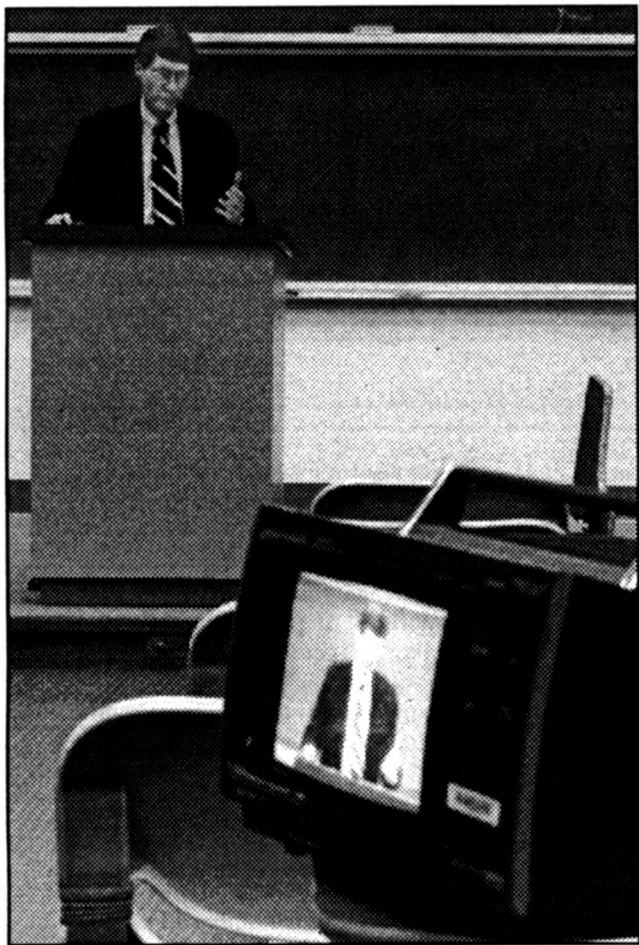
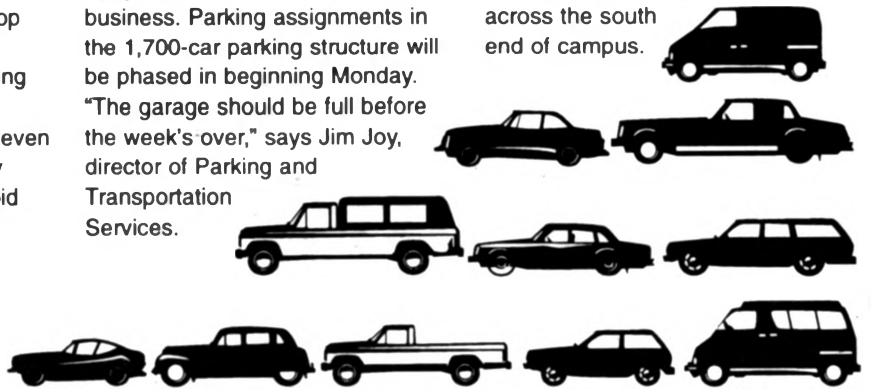
Or stay all day. There will be enough there to keep you busy. Check out demonstrations of interactive computers and the most recent telephone technology. Get the latest information on desktop publishing and the World Wide Web. Learn more about recycling and alternative fuels.

One more freebie: you can even ride the shuttle bus from Brady Commons to Hearnes and avoid any parking hassles:

PARK IT

Faculty, staff and students who park on the south side of campus will be getting a little more elbow room next week when the new Maryland Avenue garage opens for business. Parking assignments in the 1,700-car parking structure will be phased in beginning Monday. "The garage should be full before the week's over," says Jim Joy, director of Parking and Transportation Services.

Spaces have been set aside for faculty and staff at the Health Sciences Center, medical and nursing students and students who live in nearby residence halls. The new garage will cause a ripple effect on parking all across the south end of campus.



Sights

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have seen the end of their longest period of expansion and growth. During the Cold War, research universities took top priority in funding because their research supported national defense objectives. Now that the Cold War is over, the financial support is dwindling.

The second change, Gardner said, is the end of a national commitment to promote equity for all Americans through higher education. In the past, the GI Bill and the Higher Education Act made it possible for hundreds of thousands of Americans to attend universities.

The final change that has affected large universities is a decline in prestige. Gardner cited the infamous *60 Minutes* piece last March about the University of Arizona, in which an English professor at Rice University stated for millions of viewers, "When you are a research university professor and you really have it made, you never have to see a student at all."

Until the 1940s, faculty supplied all student learning needs from orientation to career advice. Professors even lived in residence halls with the students. But with the influx of students and the emphasis on university research, faculty had to reduce the time they spent with

students. Student affairs personnel were hired to deal with student needs.

In the 1990s, there are more students than ever and fewer people to help them. Faculty are called upon to do things for students for which they were never trained. That training is imperative, Gardner said. In order for universities to create successful students, they must have successful faculty. Gardner directs a training program that teaches faculty to work with students. The program has attracted more than 25,000 people since its beginning in 1982.

In 1970, Gardner was part of a research team at the University of South Carolina that began searching for a way to fix these problems. They decided that they needed a formula for a successful student, a student who loves college and doesn't want to leave it. They found that students learn values and behavior in small peer groups with faculty intervention, not in classrooms. That faculty intervention needs to happen during the first six to eight weeks of a student's first semester in college.

Another ingredient for student success, Gardner said, is a freshman seminar — a course that brings students and faculty together and teaches students how to do college. The seminars are a much more effective way to teach freshmen and they also help retention rates, he said.

"We are entering a new era of education," Gardner said. The effect of these changes is a widespread national interest in changing the focus of universities. And the focus has turned to undergraduate education, an area that has been neglected for many years. At Mizzou that undergraduate focus is a top priority.

John Gardner, a national expert on student success, lauded MU's emphasis on undergraduate education during a recent campus visit.

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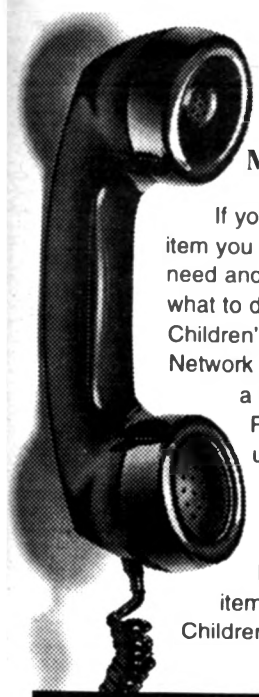
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MAKING SOME MIRACLES

If you've got an item you no longer need and don't know what to do with it, the Children's Miracle Network Telethon has a suggestion. Put it to good use and help mid-Missouri kids at the same time. Donate the item for the Children's Miracle

Network Telethon annual sale. The telethon, sponsored by University Hospital and Clinics, is looking for items for its annual sale April 26 and 27. Drop off your goods at the Boone County Fairgrounds on Oakland Gravel Road after 4 p.m. April 25. If it's a large item, call 445-4953 and someone will arrange to pick it up. A tax deduction for donated items may be claimed in accordance with guidelines.

RECOGNIZING RETIREES

Mizzou's annual Retirees Recognition Week will be held April 8 to 12 to honor the many contributions retired faculty and staff have made and continue to make to the University. The Retirees Luncheon is anticipated to draw nearly 800 MU retirees to the Heames Center April 9, when one former faculty member and one former staff member will receive an award for their outstanding accomplishments since retiring from the University.

Before the luncheon, retirees have the option of a number of

campus tours, including the Museum of Anthropology, the glass-blowing workshop in the Physics Building, virtual reality demonstrations in Memorial Union, the MU Research Reactor, the weather forecasting lab in Gentry Hall and the studios at KOMU-TV. In addition to the campuswide recognition effort, individual University divisions will be sponsoring special events throughout the week.

PROSPECTS FOR PEACE

Scholars from MU and from around the world will convene this week in Columbia for a conference that will assess the peace implementation process under way in Bosnia.

Robert Hayden, a legal scholar and associate professor of anthropology at the University of Pittsburgh will give the keynote address tonight at 7 p.m. in Gannett Auditorium at the School of Journalism. Hayden will speak on "War and Peace in Bosnia: Peace Agreements and Peace Enforcements." The conference organizer is Robin Remington, professor of political science.

Expanding health care

MU will operate Mount Vernon rehab center

Gov. Mel Carnahan signed legislation Monday that officially transferred operation of the Missouri Rehabilitation Center in Mount Vernon from the Missouri Department of Health to MU's Health Sciences Center.

The transfer of the 136-bed rehabilitation hospital becomes effective July 1. It is the only remaining hospital operated by the Department of Health.

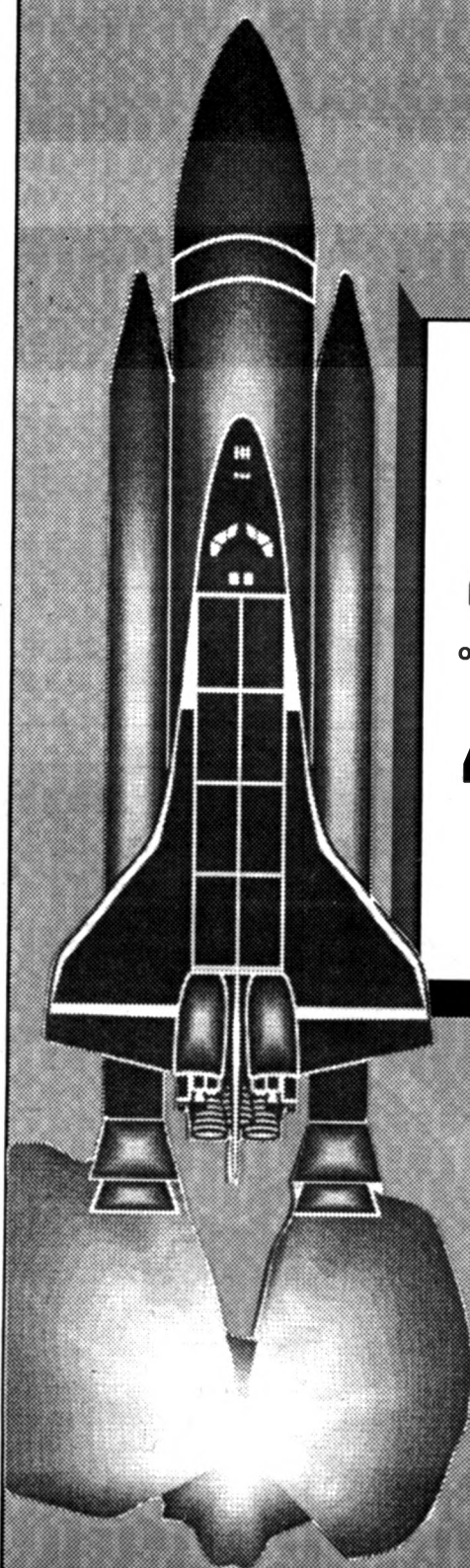
"The administration of the MU Health Sciences Center has done a tremendous job of revitalizing Ellis Fischel Cancer Center, another former state hospital that we placed in the University's care five years ago," Carnahan said. "Based on that experience, I am confident that the Health Sciences Center, under the leadership of Lester Bryant, will keep the Missouri Rehabilitation Center strong and thriving."

Fred Hall of Springfield, president of the Board of Curators, said that both institutions will benefit from the transfer. "The Board of Curators is gratified that Governor Carnahan and the General Assembly provided for a transfer that makes educational and economic sense for the University and for the residents of Missouri," Hall said.

The measure that Carnahan signed authorizes the transfer of \$14.1 million in general revenue appropriations to MU during the upcoming fiscal year. Of that, \$4.1 million is a one-time allocation to cover transition costs. The remaining \$9.9 million is a recurring general revenue appropriation that MU will receive annually to support the state-mandated services of brain injury and tuberculosis treatment provided at the Mount Vernon center. After July 1, all center employees will become University employees.

"The Missouri Rehabilitation Center has a proud history of serving the people of Missouri, and we want to continue to build on that tradition," said Lester Bryant, dean of medicine. "MRC's addition to the Health Sciences Center will provide us yet another venue for fulfilling our mission to improve the health-care services available to Missourians, in particular to those in rural communities."

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Eco-education

MU now offers an environmental studies certificate

This May, for the first time ever, an MU student will receive an interdisciplinary environmental studies certificate, a recognition that has been a long time in coming.

Since the 1970s, students have pushed for this type of program. In February 1993, at a campuswide meeting, MU's environmental affairs council established an undergraduate program. Starting this semester, MU undergraduates earn an environmental studies certificate in addition to their degree if they complete a minimum of 18 hours of interdisciplinary courses focused on environmental topics.

For years students have been putting these courses together on their own. Now they will receive a certificate to document their environmental education, says Jan Weaver, director of the environmental

studies initiative.

To help students graduate on time, the environmental courses interlock with and complement a student's course of study. Students can fill the general requirement for their major with environmentally related courses from different disciplines.

The requirements for receiving a certificate are six three-hour environmentally focused courses: two introductory courses, a writing-intensive seminar, two 200-level courses and a interdisciplinary capstone experience. Acceptable courses come from many different areas such as agriculture, chemistry, geography, history, religious studies and sociology.

For the capstone experience, Weaver works with students to create a project that combines their major with an

environmental theme. For example, a business major may develop a recycling program for an area company.

Students with this type of environmental experience will be better employees because of their interdisciplinary communication skills and environmental perspective, says Weaver.

"The only complaint we hear is from graduates who wish that the program had been here when they were," says Joe Engeln, associate professor of geological sciences.

Students, faculty and staff are invited to attend a meeting at 3:40 p.m. on April 11 in the A.P. Green Chapel to discuss the newly approved certificate and future plans. For more information, check out the environmental studies home page at <http://www.missouri.edu-esiwww/index.html>

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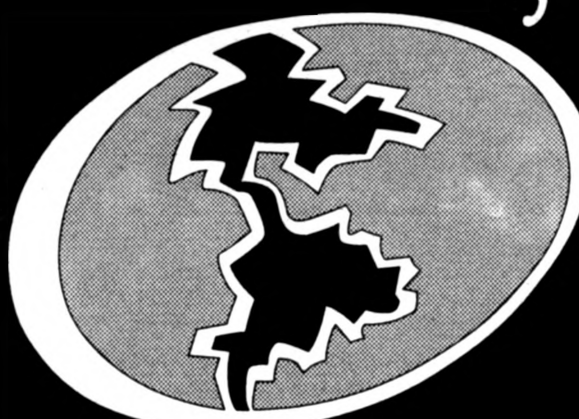
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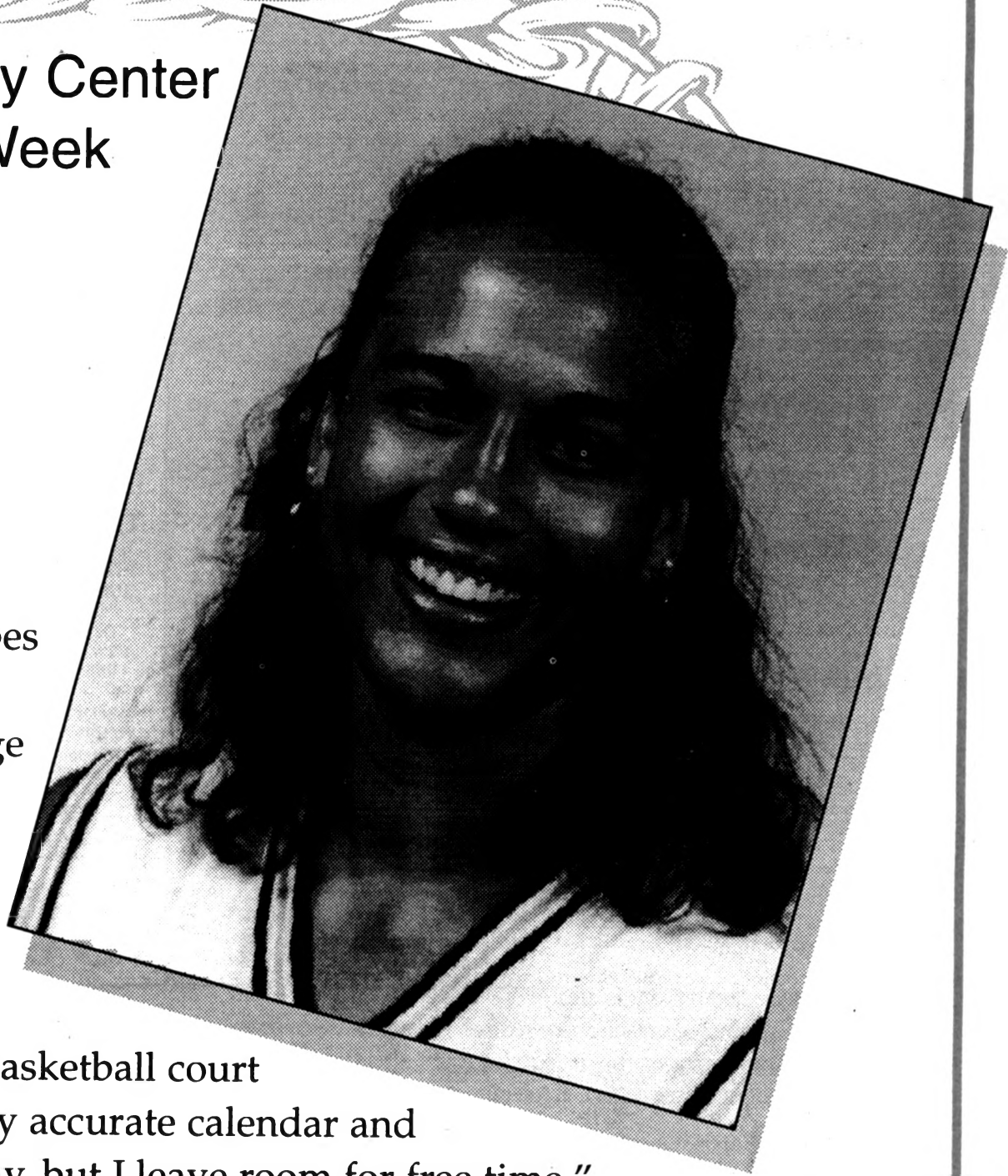
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Concerts & Plays

Thursday, April 4

FINE ARTS SERIES: The Department of Theatre will present *Burn This* at 8 p.m. in Corner Playhouse. Cost: \$5 all seats. For more information, call 882-PLAY.

Friday, April 5

FINE ARTS SERIES: See April 4 listing.

Saturday, April 6

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GRADUATE STUDENT ENSEMBLE: The Buder Woodwind Quintet will perform at 3:30 p.m. in the Whitmore Recital hall.

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Courses

Friday, April 5

HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES COURSE: "Continuous Quality Improvement Development Program" will be offered from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in S207 Memorial Union. For information, call 882-2603.

Saturday, April 6

WOMEN'S CENTER WORKSHOP: "Rock Climbing" will be offered from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost is \$10. Registration required by

April 5. For information, call 882-6621.

Wednesday, April 10

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION: "Word Perfect 6.1 for Windows (IBM)" will be offered on Wednesdays April 10-May 1, from 5-9 p.m. in 314 Hill Hall. For enrollment and cost information, call 882-7403.

Exhibits

BINGHAM GALLERY:

The Bingham Gallery, located in the Fine Arts Building, is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays.

BRADY COMMONS GALLERY:

The Student Art Education Association's group exhibit will be on display through April 11. The gallery, located in 203 Brady Commons, is open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays.

MUSEUM OF ANTHROPOLOGY: The museum, located in Swallow Hall, is open from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays.

MUSEUM OF ART AND ARCHAEOLOGY:

Ongoing exhibits:

- "Aspects of Antiquity"
- "Expressions of Africa: Selections from the Permanent Collection"
- "Isms and Others in the Twentieth Century III"
- "The Education of a Beaux-Arts Architect: Student Drawings of E.J. Eckel" will be on display through May 19.
- "Songs of My People: A Selection" will be on display through May 19.
- "Echoes of Ancient America: Art from Lost Civilizations of the New World" will be on display through Sept. 15.

Campus Computing

Short Courses

The following non-credit short courses are free of charge and open to MU faculty, staff and graduate students unless otherwise noted. Participants may be enrolled in no more than two courses in one month. Registration is required and is done on a first-come, first-served basis. To enroll, please call 882-6006. NOTE: When an ID is required for a class, participants should obtain the ID prior to registering for that class (call the Help Desk at 882-5000 for ID information). More information about these classes is included in the Campus Computing Training Groups Web pages (see below). If you cannot connect to the World Wide Web, or if you need help doing so, please call 882-6006 for more information.

For the complete Winter Semester Short Course schedule including class times, see the following URL: <http://www.missouri.edu/~cctrain/WS96web.html>
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APRIL 8 OR APRIL 10

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INTRODUCTION TO ALDUS PERSUASION 3.0 FOR THE MACINTOSH

APRIL 8

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INTRODUCTION TO WINDOWS (2 PARTS)

PART I-APRIL 9

PART II-APRIL 16

Prerequisites: None, other than basic computer experience and a desire to learn.

WWW WORKSHOP: INTRODUCTION TO WEB PAGE

AUTHORING

APRIL 9 OR APRIL 12

Prerequisites: A SHOWME ID is required prior to registering for the class; plus experience with Web browsers.

INTRODUCTION TO MICROSOFT EXCEL 5.0

APRIL 10

Prerequisites: Foundations of Computers course or knowledge of file management with Macintosh or Windows, and mouse skills.

FOCUS ON FACULTY:

INTRODUCTION TO MICROSOFT WORD 6.0

APRIL 12

Prerequisites: Foundations of Computers course or knowledge of file management with Macintosh or Windows, and mouse skills.

GRAPHING IN MICROSOFT EXCEL 5.0

APRIL 15

Prerequisites: Introduction to Excel or experience with Excel spreadsheets.

INTRODUCTION TO MICROSOFT EXCEL 5.0

APRIL 15

Prerequisites: Foundations of Computers course or knowledge of file management with Macintosh or Windows, and mouse skills.

INTRODUCTION TO PINEMAIL

APRIL 16

Prerequisites: A SHOWME ID is required prior to registering for the class.

FOUNDATIONS OF COMPUTERS (2 PARTS)

PART I-APRIL 16

PART II-APRIL 25

Prerequisites: None, other than basic computer experience and a desire to learn.

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RECORD

The museum, located in Pickard Hall, is open from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 6-9 p.m. Thursday and noon-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY:

- "Decades: 1886 to 1966" editorial cartoons is on display in the east-west corridor.
- "Kurz and Allison Civil War Battle Scenes" is on display in the gallery through May 15.
- "Songs of My People" selections is on display in the north-south corridor through May 31.

The gallery is open 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays. The corridors are open 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. weekdays and 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday.

Films

Wednesday, Apr. 10

MSA/GPC FILM: *Dr. No* will be shown at 8 p.m. in Ellis Auditorium. Free with student ID.

Lectures & Seminars

Thursday, April 4

CHEMICAL ENGINEERING SEMINAR:

Steve Ellebracht, senior research manager of Polyolefins Process Research, will lecture at 3:40 p.m. in Room W0010 Engineering Building East.

WOMEN'S CENTER EVENT: "Creating a Barrier-Free Campus" panel discussion will be held at 4 p.m. in 229 Brady Commons.

Friday, April 5

LITERATURE LECTURES: Patricia Meyer Spacks, professor of English at the University of Virginia, will give two presentations. She will speak on "The Current State of the Profession" at a brownbag seminar at noon in Tate Hall Lounge. Her keynote talk, "Truth, the Mind, and 'My Own Work'" is at 4 p.m. in 103 Tate Hall.

CHEMISTRY COLLOQUIUM: Kristin Bowman-James, professor of chemistry at the University of Kansas, will present "Recognition and Catalysis: The Macrocyclic Approach" at 3:40 p.m. in 103 Schlundt Hall.

ENTOMOLOGY SEMINAR: Matthew Greenstone of the U.S. Department of Agriculture will present "Antibodies, DNA Probes and the Bollworm: Thirteen Years of Biological Control Research in Columbia" at 2:40 p.m. in Room 2-7 Agricultural Building.

FORESTRY SEMINAR: Suchart Choengthong, graduate student, will present "Indigenous Agroforestry Systems in Southern Thailand" at 2:40 p.m. in Room 2-3 Agriculture Building.

Monday, April 8

BIOMEDICAL SEMINAR: William Dale of the Dalton Cardiovascular Research Center will present "Vascular Organ Culture and Effects of an ACE Inhibitor on Neointimal Growth" at 11:40 a.m. in 133 Dalton Research Center.

GEOLOGICAL SCIENCES COLLOQUIUM:

Emiliano Mutti, International Association of Sedimentologists lecturer, will present "Facies Analysis of Turbidite Systems" at 3:40 p.m. in 108 Geological Sciences Building.

SOIL AND WATER RESOURCES SEMINAR:

Clark Gantzer, associate professor of natural resources, will present "The Influence of Management On Runoff from a Mexico Claypan" from 3:40 p.m.-4:30 p.m. in 133 Mumford Hall.

Tuesday, April 9

PHARMACOLOGY SEMINAR: Mike Mueckler, professor of cell biology and physiology at Washington University, will speak on "Molecular Biology of Glucose Transport in Skeletal Muscle" at 11:40 a.m. in M558 Medical Sciences Building.

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES SEMINAR: Winston Bailey from the University of Western Australia will present "Acoustic Communication in Bush Crickets" at 3:40 p.m. in 18 Tucker Hall.

GEOLOGICAL SCIENCES COLLOQUIUM: Emiliano Mutti, International Association of Sedimentologists lecturer, will present "Flood-Generated Sandstone Facies in Ancient Fluvio-Deltaic Systems" at 3:40 p.m. in 108 Geological Sciences Building.

WOMEN'S CENTER EVENT: "Lady Sings the Blues," a presentation on Billie Holiday, will be held at 4 p.m. in 229 Brady Commons.

Wednesday, April 10

MIDDAY GALLERY EVENT: Christine C. Neal, curator of European and American Art for the Museum of Art and Archaeology, will present "The Kress Study Collection" at 12:15 p.m. in Pickard Hall.

PHYSIOLOGY SEMINAR: Bob Lim, assistant professor of pharmacology, will present "Helix-Loop-Helix Proteins: Regulators of Muscle Cell Growth and Differentiation" at 2:40 p.m. in M437 Medical Sciences Building.

PSYCHOLOGY SEMINAR: Wiley Miller of the MU Counseling Center will speak on "Therapy with African-American Clients: Issues and Considerations" at 3:40 p.m. in 313 Psychology Building.

WOMEN'S CENTER EVENT: "Breast Cancer Awareness: In Memory of Perri Van Vleck" will be held at 7 p.m. in Room 229 Brady Commons.

Thursday, April 11

HEALTH SERVICES FORUM: David J. Robertson, CEO of Duncan (Okla.) Regional Hospital will present "Rural Health Systems" from 1-3 p.m. in S261 Sinclair School of Nursing.

ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING SEMINAR: Ayanna Miranda, environmental engineer for the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, will present "Lagoon Design and Regulations" from 7:30-9 p.m. in Room 203 Memorial Union.

Meetings

Thursday, April 4

TOASTMASTERS: Will meet from noon-1 p.m. in Room 1W19 University Hospital. For information, call Vickie Stokes at 882-2239.

Thursday, April 11

FACULTY COUNCIL: Will meet at 3:40 p.m. in Room S110 Memorial Union.

Special Events

Tuesday, Apr. 9

MISSOURI FOLK ARTS PROGRAM EVENT: "Tuesdays at the Capital" will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Union Hotel, Jefferson Landing, Jefferson City. For more information, call Dana Everts-Boehm at 882-6296.

It's not too late to nominate your colleagues for MU's Outstanding Adviser Award. The awards recognize two individuals who have demonstrated outstanding advising to students. Eligible candidates include any individuals involved in the direct delivery of advising services to students, such as professional advisers, faculty, staff and student affairs personnel. The deadline is April 5, and applications are available in 107 Lowry Hall. With questions, call Jen Carter at 882-9371. The awards are sponsored by MU's Academic Adviser's Forum and Student Advisory Council.

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APPLICATIONS FOR UM SOUTH AFRICA PROGRAM ANNOUNCED

MU Faculty applications for participation during calendar 1997 in the University of Missouri South Africa Exchange Program with the University of the Western Cape in Capetown (Belleville), South Africa are now being accepted.

Applications are invited from all departments.

DEADLINE for application is May 31, 1996.

For applications and additional information, please contact MU members of the UMSAEP committee: John Heyl (International Center, 882-6008) or Mike Middleton (Law School, 882-3423).

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NEW EXTENDED HOURS

A focus on access

Access Awakening Month offers wide array of information on disability issues

What started 10 years ago as a one-day event to thank MU for providing assistance to students with disabilities has gradually expanded into a whole month of activities.

Access Awakening Day is April 10, and it kicks off MU's 10th annual Access Awakening Month. The month's events are designed to increase awareness and educate the community and campus about disability issues. The events are organized by the Access Office for Students with Disabilities and by Barrier Free, a student group which focuses on access issues.

The Access Office provides adaptive arrangements for tests, note taking and other aspects of academic life for students with disabilities. Approximately 225 students use Access Office services each semester. As the campus resource center for disability issues, the office has an impact on faculty, staff and students across the University.

Carma Messerli, Access Office director, encourages the University community to take advantage of the many activities that promote awareness of disability issues.

"A lot of faculty have questions about how they can provide services to their students with disabilities, especially their students with unseen disabilities,"

Messerli says.

Access Awakening Day will help answer some of these questions by providing information about disabilities and campus services. Access Awakening Day will be held from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. April 10 in the Reynolds Alumni Center. Messerli hopes this year's location will attract more faculty and staff to the event.

The campus ADA coordinator, Adaptive Computing Technology Center and other groups will have information tables at the event. In addition, hands-on activities at Access Awakening Day are designed to give faculty, staff and students new perspectives on living with disabilities.

"It is important to focus on people's abilities — what they can do — and not focus on limitations," says Kristi Sweiven, graduate assistant at the Access Office. "It is a way to let the community know that anyone can do pretty much whatever they want."

There is a little bit of something for everyone in the month's events, says Messerli. "We want to provide fun and educational opportunities with a diversity of people participating."

Some events planned for Access Awakening Month

- "Creating a Barrier Free Campus" at 4 p.m. April 4 in the Women's Center Lounge, 229 Brady Commons.
- "Serena's Song," the only FAA-approved balloon accessible to individuals with disabilities, along with a locally provided balloon, will offer free tethered rides at the Balloon Blast April 19 and 20 on the South Quad. Rides will be available for two-and-a-half hours beginning at sunrise and again for two-and-a-half hours before sunset on both days.
- Barrier Free Plant Sale from 7 a.m.-7 p.m. April 19 on the South Quad (Rain date/site 9 a.m.-3 p.m. April 22 Main Floor Brady).
- T-Shirt Tie-Dyeing from 12:30-5 p.m. April 19 in the Craft Studio, 203 Brady Commons.
- Wheel-A-Thon from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. April 20 on Francis Quadrangle (rain site: Student Recreation Center). Proceeds from the Wheel-A-Thon will benefit a scholarship fund for MU students with disabilities.

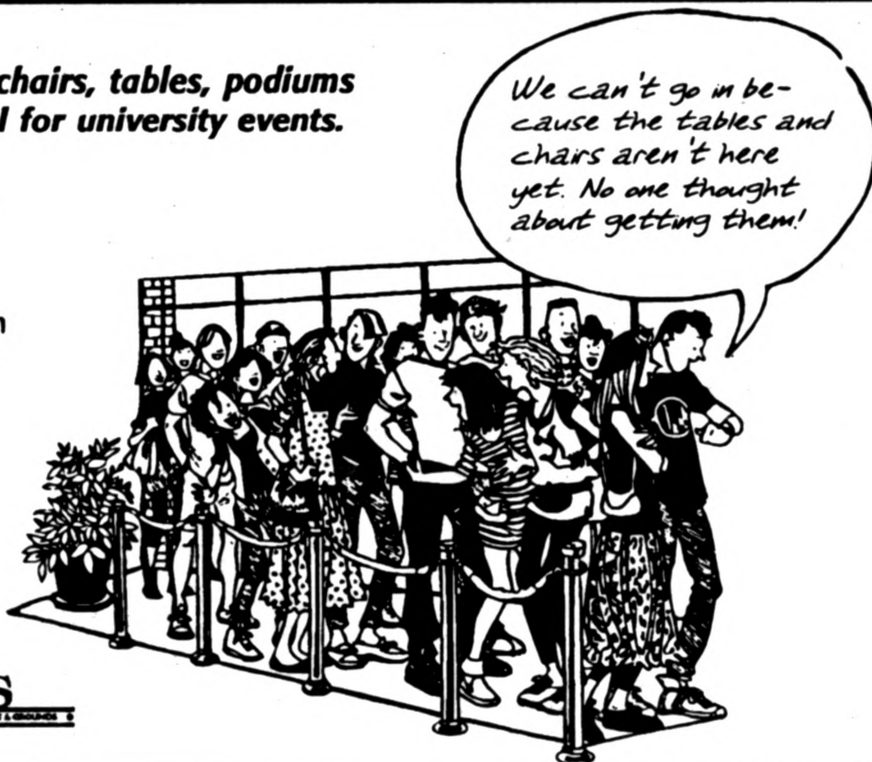
Volunteers are needed for all events. For more information about events, call the Access Office at 882-4696 or TTD 882-8054.

by Christie Studdard

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