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Welcoming Missouri's best and brightest

MU is attracting a greater number of academically talented freshmen and keeping them, according to preliminary figures released Aug. 21, the first day of fall semester classes.

Total campus enrollment stood at 22,237 on the first day of class, up 245 from the first day of class in 1995. The total includes 16,996 undergraduates, 4,101 graduate students and 1,140 professional students. The number of new African-American freshmen enrolled at Mizzou held steady with 286 this fall, compared to 291 last year.

The number of first-time freshmen dipped slightly, and the number of high-ability freshmen increased. Enrollment of first-time freshmen is 3,765, down 115 from opening day in 1995.

The high academic quality of this year's freshman class is reflected in the increase in the number of Bright Flight Scholars enrolled at MU. This fall, MU has 615 Bright Flight Scholars, up from 562 last year and 518 in 1994. This is a 50 percent increase in Bright Flight Scholars

since 1993. To be eligible for Bright Flight Scholarships, students must score a 30 or better on the ACT.

Another indication of the quality of this year's freshman class is the highest mean ACT score in University history. The ACT mean score is 25.4 for this year's incoming class, up from 25.1 in 1995 and 24.8 in 1994.

"We are pleased to see these top students choosing MU," says Gary Smith, director of admissions and registrar. "MU is a leader among comprehensive research institutions in the country emphasizing undergraduate education, and we are working to attract these talented students and keep them."

The preliminary enrollment numbers show that MU is successfully keeping students, with a 1.2 percent increase in retention rate, which measures freshmen who return as sophomores. The retention rate is 82.6 percent this fall, up from 81.4 percent last year. "MU's increasing retention rate is bucking the trend of decreasing retention in institutions across

the country," says Charles Schroeder, vice chancellor for student affairs. "Our retention rate is a true indicator of student success. The creation of learning communities, better advising, more support services, has paid off. Students are succeeding at MU."

The retention rate was significantly higher for students participating in MU's Freshman Interest Groups and learning communities, where students with shared academic interests live and learn together. Students participating in Freshman Interest Groups returned this year at a rate of 90 percent. Students in other MU learning communities had an 89 percent retention rate.

And students weren't the only ones who spent the summer preparing for a new school year. The Academic Support Center was doing the same thing, but on a grander scale than buying textbooks and note paper. In many classrooms across campus, the support center was busy installing new instructional equipment and Campus Facilities has replaced seating to enhance the instructional environments, Smith says.

One of the major improvements was the addition of overhead projectors and screens to any of the 188 centrally scheduled classrooms not already equipped. In all, the support center installed 90 projectors and 30 screens.

The center also is installing ceiling-mounted data/video projectors in 15 classrooms. These projectors are Macintosh and IBM compatible and encourage the use of computers for instruction. There are also 14 additional data/video projectors on carts assigned to departments based on competitive proposals.

Auditoriums were another focus for improvements. Keller Auditorium in the Geological Sciences Building underwent extensive renovations. The ceiling was lowered and acoustical treatments added to the walls to create a more intimate setting. A complete media support facility was installed to provide instructors with multimedia resources.

The final, but most anticipated improvement was the removal of fixed seating from some 20 classrooms and 1,300 student stations in the Arts and Science Building and Middlebush Hall. Faculty requested moveable chairs so students could face each other during classroom discussions and interactive learning sessions.

And the push to improve teaching environments at MU isn't over. Between the fall and winter semester, four more classrooms in the General Classroom Building are scheduled for significant renovation.

New recreation complex boosts intramurals

From his days as the Tiger's star quarterback just after World War I, to his nearly 40 years as director of MU's intramural athletic program, Anton "Stan" Stankowski touched a lot of lives at Mizzou.

When Stankowski retired in 1965 he was presented with a list with names of 65,000 students who had taken part in his programs over the years. "He influenced a lot of people for many years," says his widow, Gladys Stankowski. "Even now, 17 years after his death, I get calls from people who want to tell how Stan influenced their lives."

The University community can help remember Stankowski's achievements at the dedication of MU's new outdoor recreation complex, located on Stankowski Field between the Math Sciences Building and the Health Sciences Center. The dedication will be held at 3:30 p.m. Sept. 6 and the public is invited. A reception will follow the ceremony.

MU students already are getting a feel for the new \$4.3 million complex, which boasts football/soccer fields with artificial turf, volleyball and basketball courts, softball fields and a one-third mile jogging track. The entire area is lighted and a nearby building offers equipment rental, drinking fountains and restrooms.

Candy Whittet, director of Recreational Services, says the new recreation facility will be a big boost for the Mizzou's intramural program. "We used to be at the mercy of the weather, and without lights we could only operate during daylight hours," Whittet says. "That will



no longer be the case.

"The artificial turf has great drainage. After a rain, we can get right back on them. And with the lights, we can play up until midnight if we want to," she says. In addition, the central campus location makes the recreation complex more accessible to students.

Stankowski's decades of dedication to MU students make him a fitting namesake for the new state-of-the-art facility. In the days before football scholarships, the St. Joseph, Mo. native arrived at Mizzou with a homemade football uniform. When he tried out for the team, the coaches saw what he could do and issued him a uniform, Gladys recalls.

In exchange for a small room in Rothwell Gymnasium, Stankowski worked as a janitor, sweeping

Whether it's football, softball or soccer, the new artificial turf on Stankowski Field will allow all-weather play during the day or under the lights.

out the cavernous gym. He was no stranger to the field that now bears his name. It was called Rollins Field then, and Stankowski played football there in the days before Memorial Stadium was built. Bleachers lined the field then, and some early fans even sat in their horse-drawn buggies to watch the play.

Gladys Stankowski came to MU in 1930 to teach physical education. She held classes in McKee Gymnasium or on the practice fields south of the gym, where the present-day Agriculture Building is located. The PE uniform for girls then was bloomers and a top.

HOW 'BOUT THOSE FOOTBALL TIGERS?

Plan on asking Coach Larry Smith that question yourself. Smith will host a series of three luncheons this fall for faculty, staff and retirees. The luncheons are one way for the MU community to keep up to date on the team's progress this fall as the Tigers take on the newly formed Big 12 Conference. Coach Smith will talk about how the season is going and then take questions from the audience.

The luncheons will start at noon on Sept. 13, Oct. 10 and Nov. 1 in the Tingle Tiger Lounge at Memorial Stadium. The cost of each event is \$5, and reservations

are required. To make a reservation, call 882-2076 by the Tuesday prior to the luncheon.

MU OFFERS FIRST CLASSES OVER THE INTERNET

Last week, as Mizzou students tackled their first classes of the fall semester, some students were missing from the classroom. But that didn't mean they weren't present and accounted for, they were the first students to take academic courses from MU over the Internet. This semester, the University is offering three English courses over the information superhighway. They include a class

on writing, a historical survey of women writers and a study in modern drama, says Doris Littrell, director of the MU Extension Teaching program.

"These courses are designed to offer people timely and challenging learning experiences. You do not have to be a degree candidate to enroll," Littrell says. "We are looking to expand our offerings on the

Internet. If anyone has an interest in other courses which we can offer, we'd like to have them

contact us." The courses can be taken for credit or non-credit; enrollment can be done by Internet, phone or fax.



KEEPING ACCOUNTS ON ACCOUNTING SERVICES

While its offices in Jesse Hall are being renovated, Accounting Services has moved to 105 E. Ash St. through early December. The unit's mail address, e-mail addresses and phone numbers will remain the same. For hold checks and walk-in items, go to 311 Jesse Hall. With questions or concerns, contact Accounting Services at 882-3051.

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MU explores affiliation with area hospital

Representatives of MU's Health Sciences Center and Capital Region Medical Center in Jefferson City met last week to discuss an affiliation between the two organizations. Both say such an affiliation would lead to an expansion in the range of patient-care services available in Cole County and the surrounding area.

Within the next several weeks, discussions will continue to define the structure and type of affiliation. As these discussions progress, representatives will focus on ways they can collaborate to meet the needs of their patients and the communities they serve.

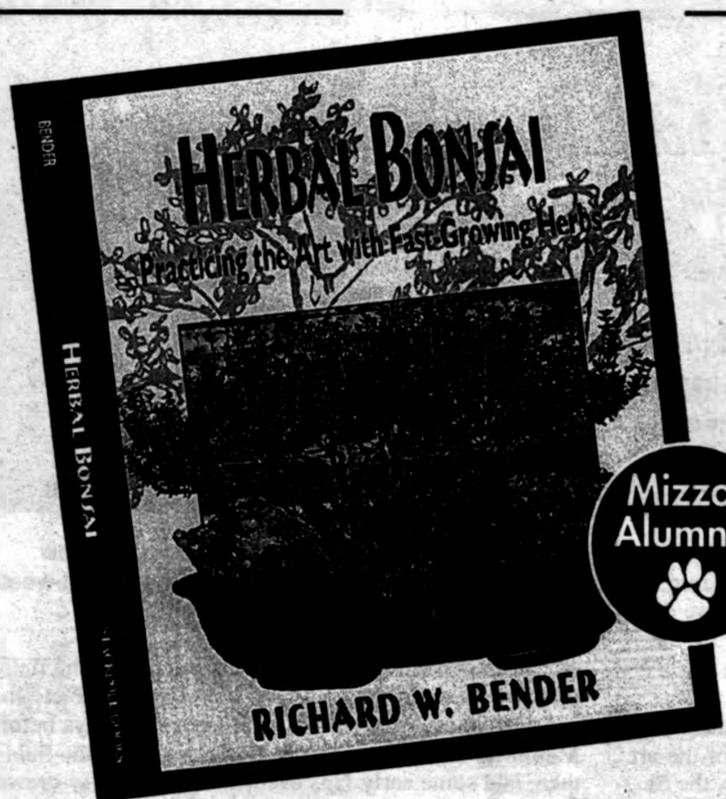
"We are very interested in exploring an affiliation with the Health Sciences Center because of its national reputation for excellence," said Ed Farnsworth, president of Capital Region Medical Center. "As an academic medical center, the Health Sciences Center is known for its comprehensive scope of services. An

affiliation would allow us to offer additional specialty services in the community so patients can receive care locally and not have to travel away from home."

Lester Bryant, dean of medicine, says affiliating with Capital Region would allow the Health Sciences Center to enhance its education and training programs. "Capital Region Medical Center is a very strong community hospital that would allow us to provide both allopathic and osteopathic medical students and residents with community hospital experience and the opportunity to work with community-based physicians," Bryant said.

Both administrators say a formal relationship offers the possibility of strengthening both organizations and providing an enhanced health-care delivery network that would benefit patients in central Missouri.

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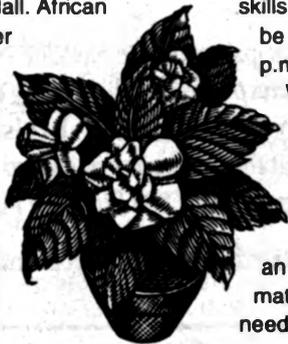
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GO FOR THE GREEN

MU's Horticulture Club will hold its "Back to School" plant sale from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. today and tomorrow. For a wide array of tropical foliage plants in many sizes and prices, come by Greenhouse 11, just behind Curtis Hall. African violets and other flowering plants also will be available. Proceeds from the sale support Horticulture Club activities throughout the year.



HELP GIVE THE GIFT OF EDUCATION

The Adult Learning Center, sponsored by Columbia Public Schools, has many opportunities for volunteer tutors to help local adults acquire basic education skills. Tutor training workshops will be presented from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Sept. 16, 18, 23 and 25. Workshops will provide information about the literacy needs of Boone County, characteristics of adult learners, and strategies for working with an adult in reading, writing and math. Other volunteers are needed for publicity, recruitment

and clerical work. For workshop registration or more information, call the Adult Learning Center at 886-2271.

ENGINEERING A DIFFERENCE

A generous donation from a former MU engineering student and his wife helped create the first fully endowed professorship in the College of Engineering. C.W. "Jim" La Pierre of Carefree, Ariz., retired executive vice president and director of General Electric, and his wife, Nancy, made the donation shortly before LaPierre's death on June 1 at age 92.

As part of the Missouri Endowed

Chair and Professorship program, approved by the Legislature in 1994, interest from the endowment will be matched by the state, and the money will be used to attract a high-quality professor to the college. James Thompson, dean of engineering, says the professor most likely will be chosen during this academic year and begin work next year.

La Pierre was a native of Jackson, Mo. He attend the college from 1922 to 1925, when he left to take a job with General Electric. La Pierre worked with way through the ranks starting as an assistant engineer. Over the years, La Pierre obtained 15 patents on

measurement and electronic circuit applications. In 1964, the University awarded him an honorary doctorate.

"Dr. and Mrs. La Pierre recognized the significance of attracting and retaining extraordinary faculty to the University," says Harold Jeffcoat, vice chancellor for development and alumni relations. "They quickly saw the impact of the state of Missouri Matching Gift Program as one means to strengthen the College of Engineering. Dr. La Pierre was a kind and generous man, a loyal alumnus, and a wonderfully inventive engineer and executive."

Rural renaissance

1990s bring growth to out-state counties

Missouri's population is spreading out, part of a national trend that may force a rethinking of government, communications, health and transportation policies, say MU researchers.

"For most of this century, the trend has been for people to move from the country to the city and suburbs. But in the 1990s this is changing," says Daryl Hobbs, director of the Office of Social and Economic Data Analysis.

Since 1990, population growth in rural counties has nearly matched that of larger urban areas. Missouri is following a national trend that is seeing three in four non metropolitan counties gain population in what *American Demographics* magazine calls a "stunning reversal

following a decade of rural decline."

"We need to better understand what is happening and rethink what this means for state and national policies," say Charles Fluharty, director of MU's Rural Policy Research Institute.

Fluharty says many government policies and programs carry the assumption that rural areas are disadvantaged and unattractive. "But these new data clearly show that people are choosing to live in rural areas. We must assure public policies do not create disincentives which will negatively impact this trend," he says.

Not only are more Missourians moving from the city to the country, but more people from other regions are moving to the state's outlying areas. According to census data, in the last five years, rural counties experienced a net in-migration of 75,452 compared to only 5,592 for the state's metro counties, Hobbs says.

Particularly important to this renewed rural population growth are policies assuring access to telecommunications such as Internet, equal reimbursement for Medicare and Medicaid and adequate roads for new settlement patterns, Fluharty contends.

"We should allow rural areas to have a

level playing field in these important areas," he says.

A joint study by RUPRI and the University of Nebraska found that Medicare payments were 19 percent lower in rural than in urban areas, despite the fact that rural medical providers rely more heavily on these payments. "We've seen up to a 267 percent difference in Medicare payments for the very same procedure," Fluharty says.

We now live in a suburban culture, he adds. "For the first time in our history we have more suburban legislators than from either rural areas or inner cities."

Hobbs said rural areas of Missouri prospered in the 1970s, then went into a decline in the 1980s. In the 1970s, 94 counties in Missouri experienced a population increase while 21 experienced a decline. But during the 1980s, 53 counties declined in population.

Some of that is changing in the 1990s.

Several reasons may account for rural counties receiving a greater share of population growth. One is the tendency for new housing to be built in suburban developments outside city limits. "Cities are no longer cities, but metropolitan regions. Adjoining counties are simply in their way as they expand," Hobbs says. He

noted that between 1990 and 1995, Jackson County (Kansas City), St. Louis City and St. Louis County had a combined out-migration of more than 80,000. Surrounding counties, however, had more than that number move into their areas.

Other reasons include a willingness to commute to jobs; retirees moving into Missouri from other regions of the country; the lure of better lifestyles in small towns; and telecommunications, which allow people to work from decentralized locations, Hobbs said.

More than 90 Missouri counties gained population between 1990 and 1995 with 10 counties gaining more than 10 percent population. The biggest winners were those counties close to a metropolitan area and those with economies based on recreation, retirement, government or manufacturing jobs. Even a number of north Missouri counties that traditionally experienced severe population loss have actually experienced a net in-migration of population in the early 1990s.

"Since the changes occurring in Missouri appear to be a part of a general national pattern, it seems likely that they will continue through the rest of the decade," Hobbs says.

Mentors for moms

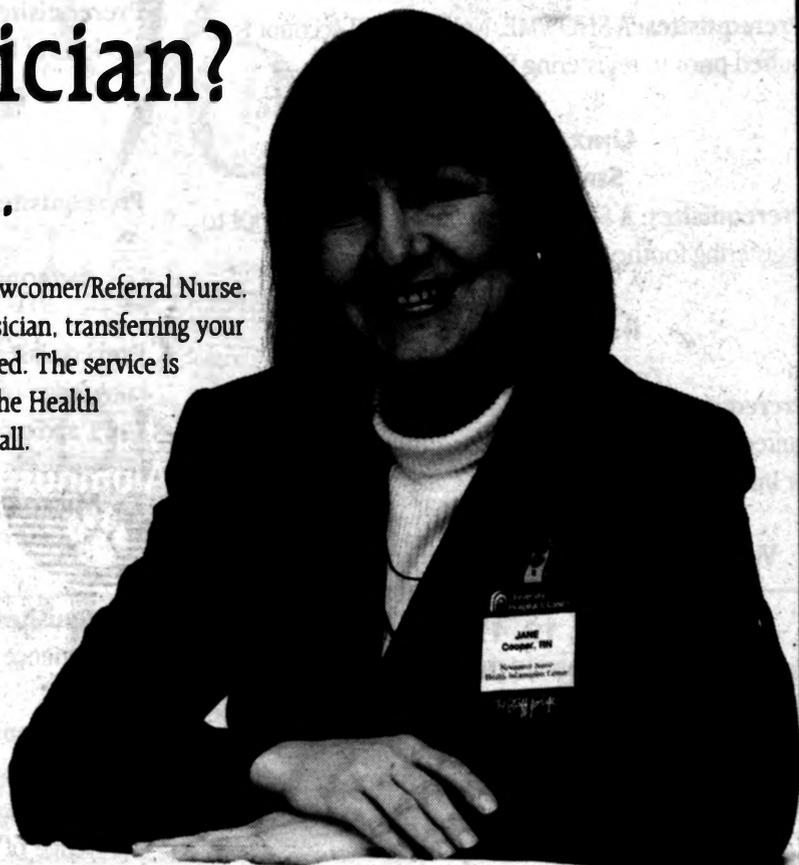
The Resource Mothers Program is looking for volunteer mentors. Administered by MU's Human Environmental Sciences Extension, the program pairs pregnant teenagers and young women with a mentor.

Resource Mothers is an early intervention child abuse program that offers a supportive environment to young pregnant women. The program's tenet: Intervene during pregnancy and the young mother will have a healthier baby. Healthier babies mean parenting is less stressful. Less-stressful parenting means a lower risk for child abuse. For more information, call the program director Lynn Pike at 882-3243.

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For the complete Fall Semester Short Course schedule including class times, see the following URL: <http://www.missouri.edu/~cctrain/cccalendar.html>
For a complete listing of Course descriptions, see the following URL: <http://www.missouri.edu/~cctrain/course.html>

S E P T E M B E R

SHORT COURSES

FOUNDATIONS OF COMPUTERS (2 PARTS) SEPT 3 & 10, 12 & 19, OR 25 & OCT 2

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

INTERNET FUNDAMENTALS INCLUDING NETSCAPE BASICS (2 PARTS) SEPT 3 & 10, 4 & 11, 9 & 16, 19 & 26, OR 27 & OCT 4

Prerequisites: Foundations of Computers course or knowledge of file management with Macintosh or Windows, and mouse skills. Please bring a formatted 3.5" diskette to class.

INTRODUCTION TO PINEMAIL SEPT 18 OR 19

Prerequisites: A SHOWME ID is required prior to registering for the class; plus Internet Fundamentals including Netscape Basics course.

INTRODUCTION TO UNIX SEPT 17

Prerequisites: A SHOWME, NeXT, or SGI account is required prior to registering for the class.

UNIX FOR SAS USERS SEPT 24 OR OCT 22

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INTRODUCTION TO SAS OCT 8 OR NOV 5

Prerequisites: A SHOWME or MIZZOU1 account is required prior to registering for class, plus Unix for SAS Users or Introduction to Unix.

WWW WORKSHOP: INTRODUCTION TO WEB PAGE AUTHORIZING SEPT 5, 6, 12, 17, 18, OR 23

Prerequisites: A SHOWME ID is required prior to registering for class; plus Internet Fundamentals with Netscape Basics course. Please bring a text outline of what you'd like on your home page to class.

ADVANCED WEB PAGE AUTHORIZING SEPT 25

Prerequisites: WWW Workshop: Introduction to Web Page Authoring course.

PRELUDE TO PROGRAMMING - PERL SEPT 19

Prerequisites: Computer applications experience such as word-processing.

INTRODUCTION TO DATA MANIPULATION WITH PERL SEPT 24

Prerequisites: Prelude to Programming - Perl course or experience with a programming language such as Pascal, Fortran, Basic or C, and access to SHOWME or SGI/NeXT computers or other Unix or DOS systems supporting Perl.

CREATING FORMS ON THE WEB USING PERL SEPT 26

Prerequisites: Introduction to Data Manipulation with Perl, and experience creating a basic web page.

RELATIONAL DATABASE CONCEPTS SEPT 16

Prerequisites: Previous experience or association with any kind of Database (ie. D-Base or Foxpro).

SQL (2 PARTS) SEPT 18 & 20 OR 23 & 25

Prerequisites: Relational Database Concepts course.

INTRODUCTION TO MICROSOFT WORD 6.0 SEPT 5, 13 OR 23

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

MICROSOFT WORD 6.0 TOPICS: COLUMNS, TABLES, AND MAIL-MERGE SEPT 26 OR 30

Prerequisites: Introduction to Microsoft Word 6.0 course or experience with the application.

INTRODUCTION TO MICROSOFT EXCEL 5.0 SEPT 19, 24 OR 27

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

MICROSOFT EXCEL 5.0 TOPICS: GRAPHING OCT 1 OR 7

Prerequisites: Introduction to Excel course or experience with Excel spreadsheets.

INTRODUCTION TO ADOBE PHOTOSHOP 3.0 FOR THE MACINTOSH (2 PARTS) OCT 2 & 9

Prerequisites: Foundations of Computers course or knowledge of file management on the Macintosh, and mouse skills. Participants should bring a floppy disk containing a pre-scanned image to class.

FOCUS ON FACULTY

INTERNET FUNDAMENTALS INCLUDING NETSCAPE BASICS (2 PARTS) SEPT 6

Prerequisites: Foundations of Computers course or knowledge of file management with Macintosh or Windows, and mouse skills. Please bring a formatted 3.5" diskette to class.

INTRODUCTION TO PINEMAIL SEPT 13

Prerequisites: A SHOWME ID is required prior to registering for the class, plus Internet Fundamentals including Netscape Basics course.

WWW WORKSHOP: INTRODUCTION TO WEB PAGE AUTHORIZING SEPT 20

Prerequisites: A SHOWME ID is required prior to registering for class, plus Internet Fundamentals with Netscape Basics course. Please bring a text outline of what you'd like on your home page to class.

ADVANCED WEB PAGE AUTHORIZING SEPT 27

Prerequisites: WWW Workshop: Introduction to Web Page Authoring course.

Up, up and away

CD-ROM makes children hot air balloon pilots

For the past six months, the work of 10 technology and education specialists at the College of Education has been full of hot air — hot air balloons to be precise. And the results of their work was ready just as thousands of enthusiasts converged on Columbia for the national hot air balloon championships earlier this month.

The team has been working on producing multimedia performance assessments that include a CD-ROM titled "Flight: An Adventure in Hot Air Ballooning." The CD-ROM contains information on hot air ballooning ranging from its history, to piloting, to a glossary of balloon parts. It has easy-to-use buttons on the left side of the screen that, when chosen, incorporate more than 40 video clips into the learning process.

To accompany the CD-ROM, a performance assessment guide was developed to provide teachers with 14 tasks for their students to complete in conjunction with their use of the CD-ROM. Students' knowledge of math, science and communication are incorporated into the ballooning tasks.

"This CD-ROM allows students to apply the knowledge they learn in the

classroom to ballooning," said Humphrey Loe, senior computer programmer/analyst and a member of the production team. Students work individually or in small groups to complete the tasks of a balloon pilot, including acquiring sponsorship for a balloon race, developing a flight plan for the race, and piloting a balloon under varying weather conditions.

The group chose to create the ballooning CD-ROM for three reasons. One reason was to aid in the creation of new media that meets the assessment portion of the state's new educational standards. Another reason was that this CD-ROM and assessment guide package requires students to use critical thinking and explore multiple perspectives. A third reason was the availability of good resources on ballooning. Since Columbia hosted the national hot air balloon championships last year and again this year, the production team had access to ballooning experts and to video clips from last year's races.

The CD-ROM and the assessment guide are designed for middle- and junior-high students, but Loe said that one of the project's benefits is that teachers can develop the assessment tasks for use with any grade.

The project was made possible by a grant from the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, which will hold the copyright and handle the distribution.

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CALENDAR

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Concerts & Plays

Thursday, August 29

EKLEKTIKA/MULTIMEDIA CONCERT: Rebecca Choate and Pedro Guajardo will present the concert at 8 p.m. in the Corner Playhouse.

Tuesday, September 3

FACULTY RECITAL: Dan Willett, oboe, will perform at 8 p.m. in Whitmore Recital Hall.

Courses

Wednesday, September 4

NEW EMPLOYEE ORIENTATION: Course will be offered from 8:30 a.m.-noon in Columns 3, Reynolds Alumni Center. The course is open to all new benefit-eligible employees.

Exhibits

BINGHAM GALLERY:

• Kansas State University Art Faculty Exhibition will be on display through Sept. 20. A reception for this exhibit will be offered from 4-6 p.m. Aug. 30 in the gallery. The gallery, located in the Fine Arts Building, is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays.

BRADY COMMONS GALLERY:

The Brady 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:

- "The Saul and Gladys Weinberg Gallery of Ancient Art"
- "Byzantine and Early Christian Gallery"
- "European and American Gallery"
- "Expressions of Africa"
- "Isms and Others in the Twentieth Century"
- "The Kress Study Collection"
- "Greek and Roman Crafts: Metalwork, Textiles and Pottery" will be on display through Sept. 15.
- "Echoes of Ancient America: Art from Lost Civilizations of the New World" will be on display through Sept. 15.
- "Primarily Colors" will be on display through Sept. 22.
- "Collection Connections" will be on display through Sept. 22.

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

ROGERS GALLERY: "Territories of Secrets-Images in Water-Color Paintings, Photographs, and Prose Poetry" by Ruth Brent, professor and chair of environmental design, will be on display through Oct. 31. Open house will be from 4-5:30 p.m. Sept. 12. The gallery, located in 148 Stanley Hall, is open from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays.

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

Lectures

Wednesday, September 4

PHYSIOLOGY SEMINAR: Julie Ousterhout, associate professor of

pharmacology, Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, will present "Influence of Potassium Channel Blockers on Nitric Oxide-Induced Vasorelaxation" at 2:40 p.m. in S261 Medical Sciences Building. Refreshments will be served at 2:20 p.m.

Meetings

Thursday, September 5

TOASTMASTERS: Will meet from noon-1 p.m. in Room 1W19 University Hospital and Clinics. For information, call Sue Austin Boren at 882-1492.

Special Events

Tuesday, September 3

PROSTATE CANCER SCREENINGS: Prostate cancer screenings will be offered from 6-7:30 p.m. Sept. 3, 5, 23 and 25. Cost: \$5. Available to men between the ages of 50 and 75 and men over the age of 40 who are black or have a family history of prostate cancer. To schedule an appointment, call Ellis Fischel Cancer Screening Services at 882-8511.

Thursday, September 5

WOMEN'S CENTER & MSA/GPC CRAFT STUDIO OPEN HOUSE: The Women's Center and the Craft Studio will offer an open house from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. on the 2nd floor of Brady Commons.

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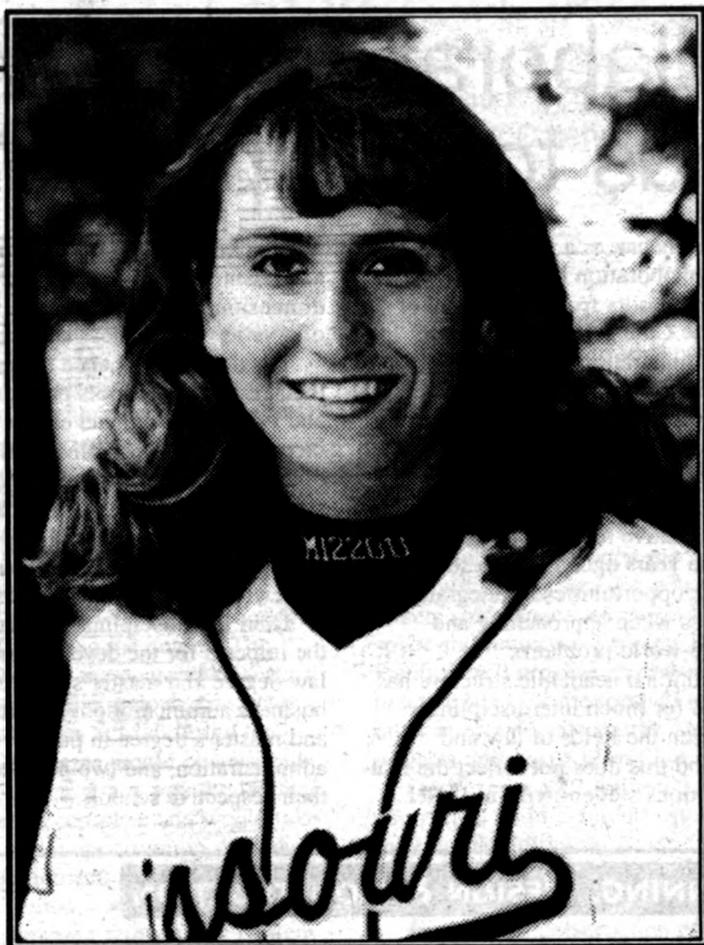
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Collaborative research leads to joint programs

What began as a research collaboration between two professors from the School of Law and the College of Business and Public Administration has led to the development of new academic degree programs, interdisciplinary courses and other joint activities.

Robert Lawless, professor of law, and Stephen Ferris, professor of finance, began cooperative research on bankruptcy nearly three years ago. The two soon found other opportunities to integrate law and business when approaching and solving real-world problems.

The traditional academic structure has not allowed for much interdisciplinary work between the fields of law and business, and this does not reflect the real-world situations student will face after

graduation, Lawless says. "Modern legal and business problems are multi-dimensional. They require the integration of a variety of business and legal skills."

The desire to enhance the programs of their respective schools prompted Lawless and Ferris to spearhead efforts to incorporate interdisciplinary aspects into both curriculums. "We're bridging the academic cultures of business and law. We're breaking down walls for collaborative research that would otherwise not be done," Ferris says.

Their interdisciplinary initiatives were the impetus for the development of a joint law degree and master's degree in business administration, a joint law degree and master's degree in public administration, and two new courses in their respective schools.

Lawless is teaching "Mergers and Acquisitions," a new course at the business school that integrates the legal, regulatory and financial perspectives of corporate consolidation. Ferris is teaching "Business Principles for Attorneys," a new course in the law school that introduces students to the principles of economics, finance and accounting.

The joint programs and new courses better prepare business and law students to handle everyday experiences that cross the traditional boundaries of academic subjects, says Lawless. "Student bodies in both schools are benefiting from the interdisciplinary approach. For instance, law has been introduced as a minor area of study in the finance Ph.D. program," Ferris says. "It brings a broader perspective to the students and adds distinctiveness to the University."

Each year, Lawless and Ferris invite to campus a nationally prominent academic speaker. These speakers talk to both graduate students in finance and to law students, further emphasizing the overlap between the two fields.

FOR THE RECORD

After years of helping University employees make the transition to retirement, Bonnie Arnold will experience that transition herself. Arnold, the retirement coordinator with Faculty and Staff Benefits will be honored with a retirement reception from 3-5 p.m. Aug. 29 in the Great Room at the Reynolds Alumni and Visitors Center.

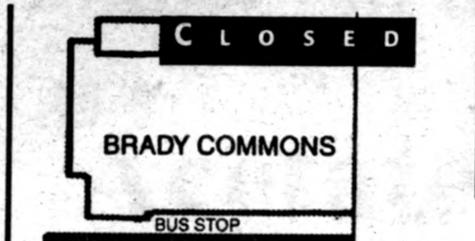
The University's pension plan and tax issues will be two of the items that will be discussed at the MU Retirees Association fall meeting. Also on the agenda are speakers Robert Whitlock, a member of the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging; and Lois Long, director of MU's Eldercare Center. The meeting begins at 10 a.m. Sept. 7 in Columns Rooms 1 and 2 at the Reynolds Alumni and Visitors Center.

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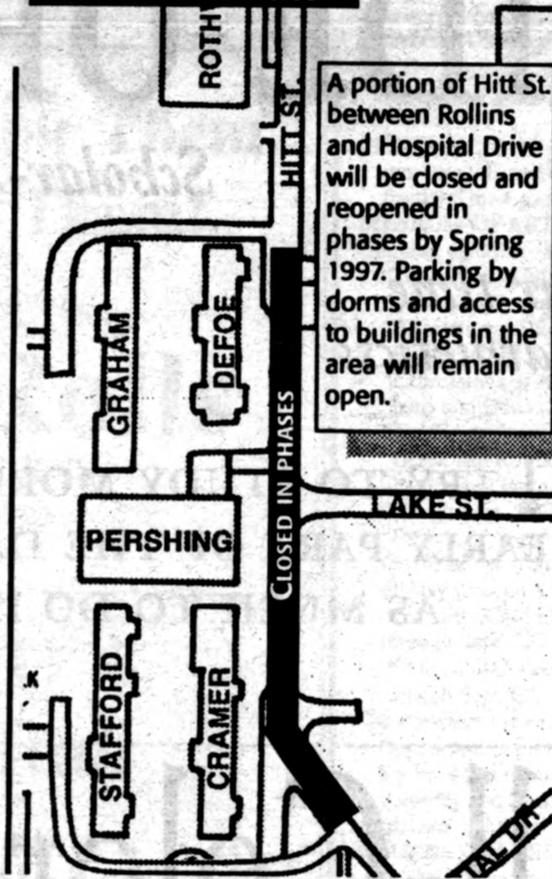
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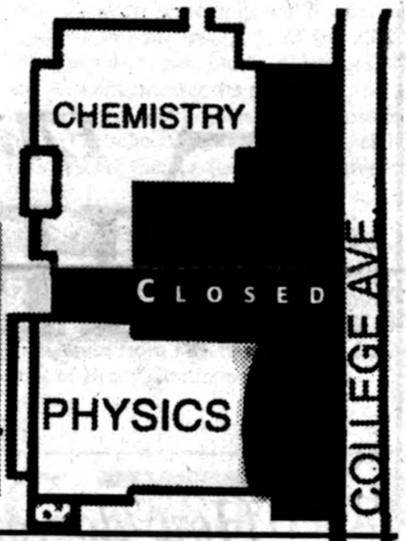
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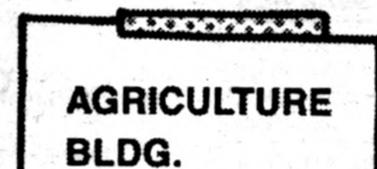


Project: Chemistry Addition.

The walkway between the Chemistry Bldg. and Physics Bldg. will be closed and will reopen in Spring 1998.



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