



# Mizzou Weekly

Happy  
10<sup>th</sup>  
Birthday

The University  
Club  
celebrates a  
decade of  
service.

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## Park It

Citing a lack of raises next fall, parking committee recommends delaying employee parking fee increase.

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## Destructive Drinking

A new federal report calls for changes in the college 'drinking culture.'

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University of Missouri-Columbia

Don't forget Tap Day:  
2 to 4 p.m. April 12  
on Francis Quadrangle

## Stage presence

### FINDING HIS VOICE

Mizzou students have captured the national collegiate vocal championship in two of the last three years

Tomorrow evening, you can hear for yourself the vocal quality that puts Kory Bickel in a class by himself. Last month, judges for the Music Teachers National Association named him the national collegiate vocal champion. At 7 p.m. Friday, April 12, Bickel will perform his senior recital in Whitmore Recital Hall.

His national prize is quite an achievement, considering that four years ago Bickel didn't even know he was a singer. Sure, he had sung in choirs and in high school programs, but Bickel never had private voice lessons before coming to MU as a music education major.

His freshman year he started taking lessons from Jo Ella Todd, assistant professor of music, and

during his sophomore year he changed his major to vocal performance. For Bickel, a native of Excelsior Springs, Mo., that change in direction must have been the right move.

Winning the national competition was no walk in the park. First, Bickel had to win the grueling state and regional contests before he could advance to the nationals. Each competitor was asked to perform 35 minutes of music in certain categories. These included pre-1800 pieces; two opera arias; German, French, and English art songs; and finally two pieces chosen by the performer.

Bickel credits much of his success to the inspiration and instruction of Todd, his musical mentor. "She was wonderful," Bickel says. "She was my first voice teacher. I came in as a really raw talent. I didn't know the techniques of singing. She broke me down the first couple of years. She taught me technique; she taught me so much.

"I studied during the summers with the other voice coach, Ann Harrel, (associate professor of music) and she was a godsend too. The two of them had two different styles of teaching, but they both helped me so much."

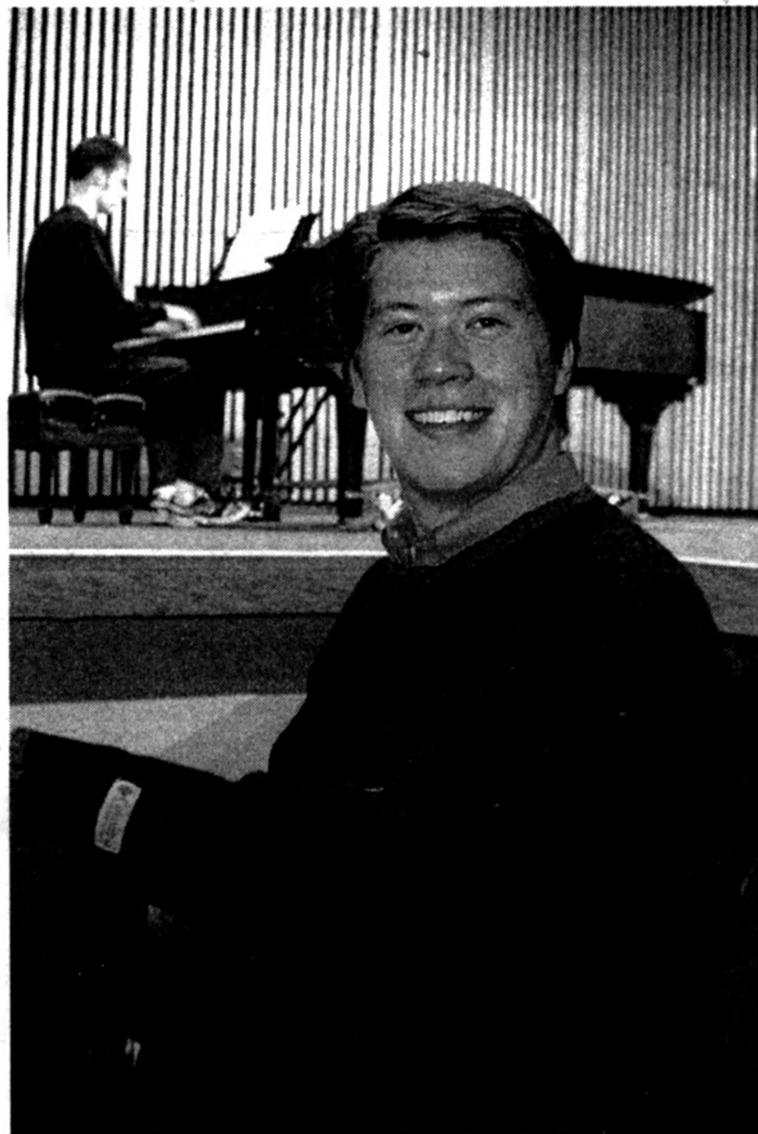
Bickel says the School of Music at MU is relatively small, but that's a good thing because it allows more one-on-one training. At the same time, the quality of the instruction is very high, he says, and the instructors are more than qualified to teach anywhere in the world.

Bickel's future plans are to graduate in May of this year and then attend Indiana University for his master's degree and artist's diploma. After that, he plans to pursue his interest in performing. And, just maybe, Bickel can extend the same helping hand he received at Mizzou: some day he wants to go on for a doctoral degree and teach music.

### A NATURAL TALENT

Baritone Kory Bickel had never had a voice lesson before he arrived at Mizzou, but he was a quick study. Last month, Bickel won the national collegiate vocal championship.

Steve Morse photo



## Planning group tackles enrollment management

### STUDENT SUCCESS

Campuswide task force develops strategies for student enrollments at MU

Over the past decade, student enrollments at Mizzou have been anything but static. Enrollments have fluctuated by more than 2,800 over that period - from a high of just under 25,000 to a low of 22,100.

That wide swing in student numbers can have an impact on everything from budgets to class scheduling, Ann Korschgen, vice provost for enrollment management, told members of MU's Faculty Council at its April 4 meeting.

Korschgen attended the meeting to report on a new enrollment management planning effort under way at MU. Since last October, a group

of faculty, staff and administrators has been studying the complex factors that surround enrollment issues, analyzing retention and graduation trends, and developing a campuswide plan for enrollment management.

The task force's overriding concern is "that well-qualified graduate, professional and undergraduate students shall have access to an excellent education," Korschgen said. "Excellence is the cornerstone upon which we built the plan."

What is enrollment management? In a nutshell, enrollment management is shaping the size and characteristics of the student body to be consistent with the academic priorities and mission of this institution. It includes a whole constellation of issues that come together to create a

campus culture and an environment that supports student learning and student success.

Although academic work is the cornerstone of student success, Korschgen said, there are other issues to consider in enrollment management: student recruitment and retention, financial aid, advising, student life, even the physical appearance of the campus, to name a few.

For that reason, Korschgen's group was divided into five subcommittees that each tackled an important topic: graduate studies and programs, professional school enrollments, undergraduate retention and graduation, undergraduate recruitment, and distance learning students and programs.

The complete subcommittee reports and recommendations are located at

[www.missouri.edu/~regww/enrollmgmnt/committee/index.html](http://www.missouri.edu/~regww/enrollmgmnt/committee/index.html)

Korschgen described the draft plan as "a work in progress." Further discussion with deans is planned before the document is submitted to the chancellor. She also encouraged Faculty Council members to provide comments and questions that could be considered as the draft plan evolves. "We are eager to get your feedback," Korschgen said.

When a final enrollment management plan is approved, academic divisions will be asked to develop individual plans that tailor the campuswide document to divisional needs and strengths.

A key component of the draft proposal calls for raising the freshman-to-sophomore retention rate to 90 percent from the current 84.6 percent. It also calls for an increase in the six-

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### Faculty Council elects officers

At the group's April 4 meeting, members of MU's Faculty Council elected two top leaders for the council. Michael Devaney, professor of electrical engineering, was elected chair of council. Sudarshan Loyalka, professor of nuclear engineering, was elected vice chair. The two will take office at the council's July meeting.

They will take over from the current chair Russ Zguta, professor of history, and vice chair Catherine Parke, professor of English. Also at the council's July meeting members will elect the remaining slate of officers: recorder, Board of Curators observer and Web site editor.

## Tapping into tradition

In what has become a rite of spring, Mizzou will celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> annual observation of Tap Day from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, April 12, on Francis Quadrangle. The six campus honorary organizations - QEBH, Mystical 7, LSV, Mortar Board, Omicron Delta Kappa and the Rollins Society - recognize outstanding student leaders on campus as well as several faculty and staff. The honoraries "tap" their new members, who have been chosen by the current members of each organization. Tap Day recognizes the

exemplary performance of students in academic and non-academic arenas. Students are selected based on their academic, leadership and service achievements.

Each honorary also "taps" faculty or staff members they feel have contributed significantly to the experience of students at MU. The identities of the "taps" are confidential until they are announced on Tap Day. In case of rain, the ceremony will be held in Jesse Auditorium.

## Critical mass of critters

It's not every day you can have your photo taken with a slithering python or take a ride on a wagon hitched to a team of genuine Missouri mules. The College of Veterinary Medicine's open house is a unique opportunity for all that and more - and it's coming up this Friday and Saturday.

If pythons or mules aren't your bag, there will be a little bit of something for everyone. You can tour the veterinary teaching hospital, visit a petting zoo, meet a rescue dog that helped save lives after the World Trade Center attacks or

bring in your teddy bear for an "operation" at the teddy bear clinic.

The open house will be held on the college campus located at the east end of Rollins Road. It begins at 8 a.m. April 19 and at 9 a.m. April 20, and runs until 3 p.m. each day. With questions, call 882-6239 or visit [www.cvm.missouri.edu/openhouse](http://www.cvm.missouri.edu/openhouse)

## Tigers for Tigers

Although 67 other U.S. colleges and universities share the tiger as a school mascot, MU is the first - and still the only - university to develop a

conservation program to help endangered tigers survive in the wild. The program, called Mizzou Tigers for Tigers, is an education and conservation effort to fund projects that benefit wild tigers.

Tracy Walmer, director of the Save the Tiger Fund and a Mizzou alumna, will visit campus to describe her organization's efforts to build international partnerships to promote tiger conservation.

Walmer will present "Tigers on the Edge," a slide show and discussion about tiger conservation efforts in Asia at 6 p.m., Thursday, April 18 in 114 Physics Building.

## Fee plan addresses parking crunch

### SPACE RACE

Permit increases would be a necessary first step to build an additional garage

**C**iting the uncertainty of salary increases for faculty and staff next year, the parking and transportation committee recommended at its April 8 meeting at least a one-year delay in increasing employee parking fees. That increase would be necessary to finance an additional parking garage on campus.

To ease the campus parking crunch, MU planners have been looking at building a seventh garage that would house nearly

2,000 cars. Although a building site has not been selected, current estimates put construction costs for a new garage at nearly \$8,000 per space, Jim Joy told committee members.

That means a new garage could cost MU in the range of \$16 million, said Joy, director of parking and transportation. Joy also said that once the administration decides on whether or not to build a garage, it could take nearly four years before the first car parks there.

Voting on a report from a garage funding subcommittee, the parking group recommended a package of fee increases that

would be phased in over the next two years. That recommendation now goes to the vice chancellor for administrative services for review.

The committee, by a 13-1 vote, recommended a fee package that includes several increases that would become effective in fall 2002: an increase in visitor meters from 50-cents an hour to \$1, an increase in student meters from 50-cents for 75 minutes to 75-cents, an increase in permits for overnight student parking, and an increase from \$2 to \$4 a day for individual visitor permits sold by the parking office.

In fall 2003, the committee

recommended that monthly parking fees for faculty, staff and students who park in surface lots increase from \$15 to \$18. For employees and students who park in garages, the suggested increase was to \$22 a month from the current \$18.

The lone negative vote was cast by Josh Friel, a representative to the parking committee from the Missouri Students Association. Friel argued that it was unfair to phase in student parking fee increases next year while delaying increases for faculty and staff.

Friel also proposed a resolution to expand MU's pedestrian campus for safety reasons to include Rollins Road between Hitt Street and Missouri

Avenue.

Parking committee members agreed to ask campus planners to review the entire pedestrian campus, and in particular the area along Rollins Road.

The committee also heard an update from Joy on other campus parking issues. Joy said that construction on the 1,900-space Virginia Avenue garage is expected to be completed in early July.

Construction on the new basketball arena is scheduled to get under way south of the Hearnes Center in July or August. That building project will displace nearly 1,000 student parking spaces around Hearnes.

To help make up that loss, the parking office is planning on several additions to surface lots, including: a lighting project that will add 400 overnight spaces to the student lot southwest of Memorial Stadium, a 350-space temporary lot for students just south of the intersection of Hospital Drive and College Avenue, and expanding the surface lot near the Trowbridge Livestock Center.



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year graduation rate from 64.6 percent to 72 percent. Combined with projected growth in the number of Missouri high school graduates, those factors could push up undergraduate enrollments at MU by 1,869 students – or 10 percent – by 2007.

Korschgen acknowledged that the projected increase in retention and graduation is ambitious. "It's achievable, but we're stretching a bit," she said. "However, other institutions with similar ability indicators (for undergraduate students) have achieved this."

The draft plan also projects the number of graduate students to grow to 20 percent of the total student body, or nearly 5,000 students. Graduate students currently make up 17 percent of Mizzou's student body.

"Some folks have expressed concerns about the rationale for growing and the costs of growing," Korschgen said. "I've heard pros and cons."

Some of those positive aspects of enrollment growth, she said, include: a greater diversity in the student body, improving MU's standing among peer institutions, an increased faculty size, and "the synergy that comes from

size."

Korschgen stressed one all-important caveat to those planning assumptions: "If we find that growth comes and we're not able to support it, we can revisit our strategies and take another course," she said.

A number of council members raised concerns that growing enrollments without the necessary resources could affect MU's undergraduate experience. Michael Devaney, professor of electrical engineering, cited a need for safeguards to ensure that "if enrollments grow, the infrastructure grows at the pace it takes to support these students."

Dan Hooley, associate professor of classical studies, suggested the enrollment management plan include a mechanism to continually monitor the quality of education that students receive. "If we simply make it a bigger place and pump them into classes, it's just not going to happen," Hooley said.

Bruce Cutter, professor of forestry, said that to him the plan seemed to be "top-down driven" and needed more faculty involvement. "How are you going to get the faculty to buy into this?" he asked. "I haven't

seen anything that suggests the faculty are going to be rewarded" for their additional efforts in recruiting.

Korschgen agreed that faculty buy-in is vital to the proposed management plan. "You're right," she told Cutter. "Faculty will make all the difference in making this work. Do you have any guidance for me?"

"One other issue to think about is that when you combine the state allocation and student fees, student fees account for 42 percent of our budget," she said. "So, if our enrollments decline there's a revenue issue. If they hold steady there's a revenue issue, and if we increase there's a revenue issue."

Mike McKean, associate professor of broadcast news, said that the enrollment plan seems too concerned with student fee revenues. "I wish you could make me feel that's not the primary issue," McKean said.

Paul Vaughn, associate dean of agriculture, food and natural resources, stressed that student revenues were not a factor as his subcommittee discussed issues of undergraduate retention and graduation.

"It seems to me to be an inherent responsibility," Vaughn said. "If you accept a student into a program, you have a responsibility to see them succeed."



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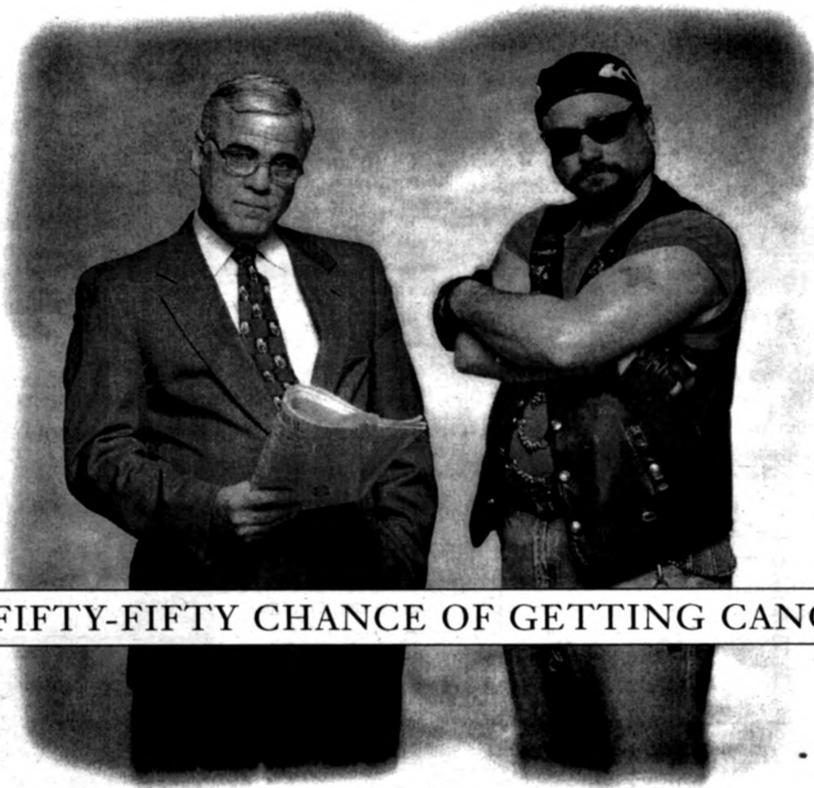
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## Concerts & Plays

### Saturday, April 13

**STUDENT RECITAL:** The University Singers will perform at 8 p.m. today and at 3 p.m. tomorrow at the Sacred Heart Church, 1115 Locust St. A \$3 donation is suggested.

### Monday, April 15

**UNIVERSITY CONCERT SERIES:** Music legend Ray Charles will perform at 7 p.m. in Jesse Auditorium. For ticket information, call 882-3781.

### Tuesday, April 16

**STUDENT CONCERT:** The Trombone Choir will present a concert at 7 p.m. in Whitmore Recital Hall.

### UNIVERSITY CONCERT

**SERIES:** The Borromeo String Quartet will perform at 8 p.m. in Jesse Auditorium. For ticket information, call 882-3781.

### Wednesday, April 17

#### UNIVERSITY CONCERT

**SERIES:** *Funny Girl* will be performed at 7 p.m. in Jesse Auditorium.

### Friday, April 19

**OPERA RECITAL:** The Show-Me Opera will perform at 8 p.m. in the Missouri Theatre.

## Conferences

### Friday, April 19

#### MEDICAL EDUCATION

**CONFERENCE:** "Oncology Conference and Scientific Session," featuring physicians, scientists and other health professionals discussing cancer, will be held at the Hyatt at Union Station in St. Louis. This three-day conference begins today and continues through April 21. For cost and registration information, contact Shirley Walters at 882-0366 or by email at walterssj@health.missouri.edu.

## Courses & Workshops

### Thursday, April 11

#### EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE

**WORKSHOP:** "Exploring Career Options" will be presented from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. Participants will be required to complete two career assessment inventories in advance of the workshop. Cost: \$20. For details, call 882-6701.

### Tuesday, April 16

#### HUMAN RESOURCES

**WORKSHOP:** "Preparing for Retirement" will be presented from 7-9 p.m. today and April 23 in 110 Lee Hills Hall. Registration is required. Call 882-2603.

### Wednesday, April 17

#### HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

**WORKSHOP:** "Hazardous Materials Awareness" will be presented from 1-2 p.m. in the Environmental Health & Safety classroom. To enroll, call 882-7018.

#### NEW EMPLOYEE

**ORIENTATION:** This orientation is open to all new

MU staff from 1:30-5 p.m. in N214/215 Memorial Union. These orientations will be held throughout the semester on the first and third Wednesday of each month at various times and locations; registration is not required.

### Thursday, April 18

#### ACCOUNTING SERVICES

**WORKSHOP:** "Peoplesoft Financial Reports" will be presented from 9 a.m.-noon today and May 16. Prerequisite: "MoCodes and Chartfields". For enrollment and location, use the MU Training Registration web site: <http://iats.missouri.edu/servlets/ASPRegTraining>.

#### HUMAN RESOURCES

**WORKSHOP:** "Then and Now" will be presented from noon-1 p.m. in S203 Memorial Union. Registration is required. Call 882-2603.

## Exhibits

#### BINGHAM GALLERY:

"Master's Thesis Exhibition," an exhibition featuring works in a variety of media by graduating master of fine arts candidates, will be on display through May 11.

Bingham Gallery, located in the Fine Arts Building, is open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday - Friday.

#### MUSEUM OF ART & ARCHAEOLOGY:

"Newspaper Lithographs by Honore Daumier: Social Satire in the Nineteenth Century" will be on display through May 26.

"Picturing Nature: a Cross-Cultural View of Landscape," including landscape artwork from three different cultural perspectives, will be on display through July 7.

"Tradition and Change: Art from Oceania" will be on display into 2003.

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

#### STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY:

"The Evolving Landscape: Changing Views of the Twentieth Century," featuring works by Missouri artists who recorded the world around them during the 20<sup>th</sup> century, is on display in the gallery through August. The gallery is open from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

- "Tracing His Journeys," drawings by Duane Evans Lyon, is on display in the north-south corridor.
- "The Cuban Missile Crisis, October 1962," comprised of editorial cartoons from cartoonists from around the world, is on display through the semester.

The corridors are open from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday and 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday.

## Films

### Thursday, April 11

**MUSEUM FILM SERIES:** *Days of Heaven* will show at 8 p.m. in

106 Pickard Hall.

## Lectures & Seminars

### Thursday, April 11

**SCHOLARSHIP PANEL:** An Honors College panel for faculty and students about national and international scholarship opportunities will be held at 4 p.m. in the Memorial Union's Stotler Lounge. Faculty who have won such scholarships are encouraged to participate. For information, call Sue Crowley at 882-0589 or email [waldeng@missouri.edu](mailto:waldeng@missouri.edu).

#### LITERARY ARTS LECTURE:

Author and critic Henry Louis Gates Jr. will present "W.E.B. DuBois, The Encyclopedia Africana, Bridging the Digital Divide" at 7:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union's Stotler Lounge. A reception will follow in N201/202 Memorial Union.

### Friday, April 12

#### BIOCHEMISTRY SEMINAR:

Tao Pan from the University of Chicago will present "Origin of Thermophilic Stability and Inherent Rate-Limiting Steps in RNA Folding" at 1 p.m. in Ellis Auditorium.

#### ANNUAL SCHOOLING

**LECTURE:** Benton Kidd, Schooling Fellow in the Department of Art History and Archaeology, will present "The Doric Order in the Hellenistic Period: Death or Rebirth?" at 3 p.m. in 106 Pickard Hall.

#### GEOGRAPHY LECTURE:

Melinda Newell from the University of Connecticut will present "Logjams and River Management in the Midwest: Are Large Woody Debris Obstructions Obstacles to Stakeholder Satisfaction or the Structural Key to Healthy Fluvial Ecosystems?" at 4 p.m. in 100 Stewart Hall.

#### AFRICA WEEK SEMINAR:

Wangair Maathai, an internationally known Kenyan environmentalist who launched a nationwide tree planting program, will present "Environmental Challenges and Prospects in Africa" at 5 p.m. in Waters Auditorium.

#### PHI BETA KAPPA LECTURES:

Ike Skelton, who graduated Phi Beta Kappa from MU in 1953, will present "The Importance of Learning History" from 5 - 6 p.m. in Jesse Wrench Auditorium, Memorial Union South.

Ursula Goodenough, professor of biology at Washington University, will present "The Sacred Depths of Nature" from 8:15 - 9:15 p.m. in Jesse Wrench Auditorium, Memorial Union South.

### Saturday, April 13

#### SURGERY GRAND ROUNDS:

Leila Mureebe, assistant professor of vascular surgery, will present "Vascular Response to Endothelial Injury" at 9 a.m.

in the Acuff Auditorium, MA217 Medical Sciences Building.

### Monday, April 15

#### CARDIOVASCULAR

**RESEARCH SEMINAR:** Jean Schaffer, assistant professor of medicine, molecular biology and pharmacology at Washington University, will present "Lipotoxicity: Models and Mechanisms" from noon - 1 p.m. in Room 133 Dalton Cardiovascular Research Center.

#### PHARMACOLOGY SEMINAR:

Michael Collins, professor of biochemistry at Loyola University, will present "Paradoxical Effects of Alcohol on HIV-1 Envelope Protein-Induced Neurodegeneration" at 1 p.m. in M558 Medical Sciences Building.

#### SOIL SCIENCE SEMINAR:

Carol Washburn, a graduate student in soil science, will present "Soil Phosphorus" at 4 p.m. in 123 Natural Resources Building.

#### ARCHAEOLOGY LECTURE:

Hector Neff, senior research scientist at the MU Research Reactor, will present "Sourcing Mesoamerican Ceramics: Science and Archaeology" at 5:30 p.m. in 106 Pickard Hall. A public reception will be at 5 p.m.

#### AFRICA WEEK SEMINARS:

Julius Thompson, professor of history and director of Black

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Studies, will present "The Media and Literary Issues Impacting on Modern Africa," followed by Christopher Okonkwo, assistant professor of English, presenting "What is Africa to Me?" and concluding with Bill Salzer, professor of medicine, presenting "Africa's Health Crisis: AIDS Epidemic." This panel of speakers will begin at 6:30 p.m. in Neff Auditorium.

**Tuesday, April 16**

**HEALTH INFORMATICS**

**SEMINAR:** Marc Milstein with Integrated Technology Services will present "MU Health Care IT Strategies for the Future" from noon - 1 p.m. in 426A Clark Hall.

**BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES**

**SEMINAR:** Sam Pfaff from the Salk Institute will present "Transcriptional Mechanisms Regulating Spinal Neuron Development" at 3:30 p.m. in 18 Tucker Hall.

**AFRICA WEEK SEMINAR: KC**

Morrison, professor of political science, will present "Political Perspectives on Contemporary Ghana," followed by Felix Edoho, associate professor of business and management at Lincoln University, presenting "Political Leadership and the Impact of Globalization on African Society," and concluding with Musa Ilu, professor of sociology and social work at Central Missouri State University. This panel of speakers will begin at 6:30 p.m. in Neff Auditorium.

**Wednesday, April 17**

**MIDDAY GALLERY EVENT:**

Eric Landes, assistant professor of art, will present "The Poor Cousins: Can Design Be Art?" at 12:15 p.m. in Pickard Hall.

**AFRICA WEEK SEMINAR:**

Robert Weems, professor of history, will present "The Myth of Incompetent African & African-American Businessman," followed by Rangira Gallimore, associate professor of Romance languages

and literature, presenting "Colonization and The Rhetoric of Sexual Violence During the Rwandan Genocide," and concluding with MU student William Johnson presenting "The African Brotherhood and Business." This panel of speakers will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the multipurpose room of the Black Cultural Center.

**Thursday, April 18**

**NUTRITIONAL SCIENCES**

**SEMINAR:** Elizabeth Rogers, assistant professor of nutritional sciences, will present "Genetics of Iron Deficiency in Arabidopsis Thaliana" at 4 p.m.

in 209 Gwynn Hall.

**TIGER CONSERVATION**

**LECTURE:** Tracy Walmer, an MU alumna and director of the Save the Tiger Fund, will present "Mizzou Tigers for Tigers: What is Happening in Tiger Conservation in Asia" from 6 - 7 p.m. in 114 Physics Building.

**LITERARY READING:** Author and psychotherapist Amy Bloom will read from her works at 7 p.m. in 22 Tate Hall.

**Friday, April 19**

**LITERARY LECTURE:** Amy Bloom, fiction writer and psychotherapist, will present "The Good, the Bad, and the

Unconscious" at 4 p.m. in 22 Tate Hall.

**Special Events**

**Thursday, April 18**

**MUSEUM FLASHLIGHT**

**TOUR:** A flashlight tour, "Looking at Landscape: Discover Uncharted Territory," will be held for families with children ages 7-12 from 6-7 p.m. in Pickard Hall. Large groups, please call ahead.

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# Surgeon urges caution on cartilage repair

## COLLATERAL DAMAGE

Use of radiofrequency in knee procedure can cause long-lasting damage

**M**ore than one million people have surgery for problems with their knee cartilage every year. Many of these problems are being treated with a surgical procedure that uses radiofrequency to remove damaged cartilage and smooth roughened cartilage.

Although the procedure has become popular and is used widely by many orthopaedic surgeons, an MU researcher says its long-term effects might be damaging to the human knee and advocates the need for further study.

*We need to develop a standard for this procedure to ensure that we reduce future complications.*

— James Cook, assistant professor of veterinary medicine and surgery

knee.

The procedure also creates another problem. When the radiofrequency treatment smoothes the cartilage, it seals the tissue surface, preventing movement of some substances in and out of the cartilage including some of the nourishment to the cartilage. This seal might effectively starve the cartilage enough that it begins to weaken.

"This treatment can work and be very effective at solving a large problem in our society," Cook said. "However, we need to look at how much heat we are creating and other nuances of the procedure — the settings of the tools, how long we expose the cartilage, the extent of damage before the procedure, etc. We need to develop a standard for this procedure to ensure that we reduce future complications."

MU's Comparative Orthopaedic Laboratory funded the study. Following the results of his latest work, Cook said scientists would begin human trials soon.

"The newest procedure in knee repair uses radiofrequency," said James Cook, assistant professor of veterinary medicine and surgery. "With a special tool, you can smooth the cartilage and restore its surface structure very well, or so it appears.

"The problem comes several months or years down the road when we are noticing long-term effects from the treatment, effects so damaging that in some cases the bone is beginning to decay. We need to discover why."

Cook believes he has solved part of the puzzle. In two recent studies, Cook exposed normal dog cartilage and arthritic human cartilage to radiofrequency treatment and then watched the cartilage over a long period of time. He discovered that an excess amount of heat from the radiofrequency treatment could cause the cells in the cartilage to change.

When the radiofrequency probe passes over the cartilage, the frequencies make ions in the tissue move and create their own heat, causing additional changes in the cartilage and surrounding cells.

The resulting domino effect eventually begins to damage other cells, which create enzymes in response to the damage. The enzymes further complicate the problem because they degrade cartilage and bone tissue, leading to cartilage and bone loss in the

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**April 2002 Edition**

## Virtual Visit Provides Sneak Peek at MU's Newest Landmark

When MU alumni and friends of the University start packing their bags for Homecoming 2002, they might want to toss in an extra roll of film. A brand new campus landmark will be awaiting their arrival and it will serve as a great place to meet up with old acquaintances.

In fact, promoting friendly get-togethers is exactly what the project planners had in mind.

Initially funded by a gift from the MU Alumni Association (MUA), Tiger Plaza will anchor the southern edge of MU's South Quad, just off Rollins, between the General Classroom Building and Cornell Hall. Another prominent MU landmark, Jesse Hall, will serve as a backdrop for this impressive new addition to campus history and ensure that Tiger Plaza will serve as a focal point on MU's South Quad for generations to come.

*Continued in April TechKnowledge*



For details on this story and many more, read the April edition of TechKnowledge online.  
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# A decade of quality and loyalty



Jason Werling photo

**CULINARY ART** An array of hors d'oeuvres, orchestrated by executive chef Daniel Pliska, left, captures the attention of G.B. Thompson and wife Gertrude during the University Club's commemorative ball March 1.

**HIGHLY VERSATILE**

MU's University Club offers its members leisurely dining at a fine restaurant and more

**E**nlightening taste and showcasing the best in dining and service have been goals of the University Club since it opened in 1992.

The club occupies the entire second floor of the Donald W Reynolds Alumni and Visitor Center located in the heart of campus. It offers dining and meeting privileges to faculty, staff, retirees and alumni at a fee of \$180 a year. The club recently started promoting student memberships for an annual rate of \$50. Everyone who joins has access to more than 60 special events at the club throughout the year as well as to 300 reciprocal clubs worldwide.

In celebration of its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary the club held a commemorative ballroom dance March 1, complete with a 17-piece band, walls decorated with works of art produced by MU art faculty in the art department, hors d'oeuvres and birthday cake. Dubbed a member's ball, the event was a thank-you to and in special honor of member loyalty, says Jo Behymer, president of the club's board of directors.

The current membership of 1,250 is strong, says Behymer professor emerita of education. "It has fluctuated because of the economy and the 9/11 fiasco, but we are attracting more new members all the time, especially families with young children."

Over the past decade the club has "grown, progressed and become more active," says Stuart Cavcey, interim co-general manager. "This is more than a place where you come, eat dinner and leave," he says. "We hold an

array of activities for families and children."

One of the popular annual events is the Teddy Bear Tea held each December for members' children and grandchildren. "Around 200 children show up for the afternoon event, dressed in lace and ties," Cavcey says. "Santa arrives. The children decorate cookies with our executive chef and the pastry staff. This is a nice activity that reaches out into the community." Other special events available only to members are buffets, down-home nights, brunches, barbecues and a summer camp for children ages 6 to 12.

Executive chef Daniel Pliska's talents get the credit for taking the club's culinary arts to a higher level. Pliska came to Mizzou three years ago from Raleigh, N.C., where he was executive chef at the Capital City Club. A gold medal winner in the American Culinary Federation competitions, Pliska enjoys preparing seafood, pastries, sauces and new American cuisine with a classic European technique.

Pliska recently started an apprentice program through the University Club in which students within a 100-mile radius may apply to train under him. Applicants always outnumber program vacancies. "That says a lot," Cavcey says. "We are fortunate that we have him with us; he is a fantastic chef, and everyone respects his abilities and talents."

Despite its high-tier cuisine and excellent service, the club still wrestles to pay off a \$900,000 debt incurred during the restaurant's first three years of operation. Initial start-up costs and a lack of management oversight during the club's first one and a half years are

among the culprits, says Kee Groshong, vice chancellor of administrative services, to whom the University Club has reported since 1994.

During the past six years, though, the club has seen a turnaround financially and now owes the University only

\$150,000. "Our charge was to fix the deficit and pay back the loss, and that is what we have been doing," Groshong says.

A national search is under way for a permanent general manager and the club is close to finding one, Groshong says. "I compliment the staff for their

efforts. They are doing a wonderful job."

The restaurant is open for lunch weekdays and Thursday through Saturday for dinner. Says Groshong: "We have a stellar chef and wonderful food service, and I encourage everyone to try our facility and take advantage of it."

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# Destructive drinking

## CALL TO ACTION

MU psychologist one of 12 researchers to serve on national task force

**T**he consequences of college drinking are larger and more destructive than commonly realized, according to a new federal report. The report, which was released April 9, also concludes that changing the culture of drinking at colleges will require a collaborative, research-based effort supported by institutional leaders.

Titled "A Call to Action: Changing the Culture of Drinking at U.S. Colleges," the

report was compiled by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism's task force on college drinking. It is the first comprehensive report on college drinking based on a focused review of the research literature and outlines a series of recommendations for colleges and universities. The task force comprises students, college presidents and researchers who specialize in college alcohol studies, including Kenneth Sher, curators' professor of psychological sciences at MU.

"Research on prevention of college drinking is relatively new and the data are incomplete," said Sher, who also is principal

investigator of MU's Alcohol, Health and Behavior Project. "Our goal is to find out what works, what doesn't, and what research is needed to develop better programs."

Research commissioned for the report reveals that drinking by college students ages 18 to 24 contributes to an estimated 1,400 student deaths, 500,000 injuries, and 70,000 cases of sexual assault or date rape each year.

"These numbers paint a picture of a deeply entrenched threat to the health and well-being of our young people," said Raynard S. Kington, acting director of the alcohol abuse institute. "This report is an urgent call to action for educators, researchers, students and society in general."

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