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Academic grievances, Compete Missouri salary increases highlight general faculty meeting

PEER REVIEW?

Faculty ballots on proposed plan due Oct. 29

lthough the Oct.

13 general faculty
meeting focused
primarily on the most recent
proposal to revise MU's academic
grievance policy, Chancellor
Brady Deaton also used the
opportunity to congratulate
faculty on their contributions
in accommodating a record
enrollment this fall.

When the fall semester kicked off Aug. 25, MU had a freshman class of 5,812 and a total enrollment of 29,761. "This fall, we broke 10 enrollment records across the board," Deaton said.

"So far everything looks really good — I'm providing feedback to you from parents and students I have been able to meet with who are just praising what you have done as faculty and staff to ensure the success of students on this campus."

He added that administrators will continue to ask faculty for their input as the campus



Rob Hill photo

FACULTY FEEDBACK Frank Schmidt, professor of biochemistry and a member of Faculty Council, was one of dozens of faculty who attended a sometimes-spirited Oct. 13 general faculty meeting to discuss a proposed revision of the academic grievance policy.

works to determine what its enrollment objectives should be for next year. "It's an important time for us as we face a fiscal and financial crisis nationally. We're very carefully testing where we are and where we're going," Deaton said. "From our standpoint, at this time our budget is in solid shape. We've achieved our objectives, but the financial crisis that the state may face as it looks to the future is yet unknown. I know that's saying nothing new, but just know that we have been carefully analyzing it; we will be continuing to do so and will work hand-in-hand with the Faculty Council as we undertake these investigations."

For example, MU has made carefully targeted investments to help accommodate record enrollments, including a major investment to boost advising, he said. "With the growth in the number of students, one of the first things we did was to provide an additional half-million dollars to add advisers and make their salaries competitive so that we minimize the turnover that we often get among advising staff. We feel that that's one of the most solid investments we can make as we address the growth in student numbers."

Deaton also said that MU is moving forward successfully in its strategy to make faculty salaries more competitive with peer institutions. That program, called Compete Missouri, aims to raise faculty salaries to the mean of faculty salaries paid by other

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Children's Hospital will consolidate offerings

UNDER ONE ROOF

Move will be made to Columbia Regional Hospital

ediatric specialists at University of Missouri Children's Hospital are looking forward to a blessed event approximately nine months from now. That's the target date for a consolidation of all Children's Hospital services under one roof at MU Health Care's Columbia Regional Hospital on Keene St.

"Our new location at
Columbia Regional Hospital
will offer families convenient
access to many more related
services for women and children,
such as the Family Birth Center,
Missouri OB-GYN Associates,
the Thompson Center for
Autism and Neurodevelopmental
Disorders and our Center for
Reproductive Medicine and
Fertility," says Jim Ross, chief

executive officer of University of Missouri Health Care. "Having women's and children's services at one hospital will create a synergy that will benefit all these patients."

Ross says he anticipates the move will be completed by late 2009. The health system has budgeted \$12 million to cover the cost of the move.

For years, Children's Hospital has functioned as a "virtual" hospital, with services offered at a number of locations. For example, Children's Hospital's pediatric intensive care unit and adolescent intensive care units are housed on the sixth and seventh floors of University Hospital. Another part of Children's Hospital, the neonatal intensive care unit, is based at Columbia Regional Hospital. Outpatient units are located at University

Physicians Medical Building and University Physicians-Green Meadows clinic.

"Even though the consolidation of all children's services at Columbia Regional Hospital will require several months to complete, we're tremendously pleased and excited all of the 30-plus specialized pediatric services and programs we offer will soon be under one roof," Ross says.

In addition, the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Mid-Missouri is considering relocating its guest house, currently at the corner of Stadium Boulevard and Monk Drives, to a site adjacent to Columbia Regional Hospital.

"Children's Hospital has a long history of providing specialized care to Missouri's kids," says Ted Groshong, medical director of Children's Hospital and chair of child health. "Milestones in our history include the first baby born at University in 1956, establishment of the region's first neonatal intensive care unit in 1971 and our formal designation as a children's hospital in 1993.

"This move to Columbia Regional Hospital will provide our patients and their families with a newly updated, kid-friendly environment, onestop children's services, 100 percent private patient rooms and convenient access via Highways 63 and Interstate 70," Groshong says.

Children's Hospital services that will be moved from University Hospital to Columbia Regional Hospital will include a pediatric intensive care unit, a general pediatric care unit, an adolescent care unit, a pediatric short-stay center and day-of-

surgery admissions unit, and a pediatric blood disorders and cancer specialty outpatient unit.

After the initial relocation of pediatric inpatient services, a second phase will relocate pediatric specialty clinics to the Columbia Regional Hospital campus. Only pediatric burn and trauma care will remain at University Hospital's George David Peak Memorial Burn and Wound Care Center.

Specialty services provided by Children's Hospital include central Missouri's only neonatal/ pediatric transport team, child life therapy, a children's sleep lab, pediatric radiology, pediatric ophthalmology, pediatric plastic surgery, a clinic for children with fetal alcohol syndrome, a kidney transplant and dialysis program, pediatric orthopaedic surgery and sports medicine, pediatric general surgery, pediatric otolaryngology and a medical genetics and perinatology program.

A career investment

Human Resource Services at MU is sponsoring its fourth annual Training Conference from Oct. 21 to Oct. 23 at Memorial Union. The free conference is open to all Columbia campus and MU Extension staff employees.

Staff can choose from more than 50 courses that cover an array of topics including: Investing on a Shoestring, Taking Charge of Your Finances, Fair and Effective Discipline, Improving Performance Through Coaching, Leadership Development and Understanding Retirement.

Most courses will be taught by MU faculty and staff who are experts in their field. Last year more than 1,000 attendees participated in the conference. "The HRS Training Conference is a great opportunity to engage in career development and to network with others." says Karen Touzeau, assistant vice chancellor of Human Resource Services at MU. "I really want to encourage our staff to take some time to invest in their own personal and professional development." Employees will also have the opportunity to learn more about services offered

by Campus Facilities Mizzou Recycles, Disability Services, Division of IT, Employee Assistance Program, Environmental Health & Safety, Printing Services and the Wellness Program. Representatives will be available in S110 Memorial Union between 8 a.m. and 3p.m. each day. To register, go to iatsbase. missouri.edu/hrtraining. A list of the time, date and location of all courses is also posted online. Because there generally are waiting lists for the seminars, conference organizers ask staff who sign up and later

find they cannot attend to go back to the Web site and cancel their reservation.

A global endeavor

As part of MU's official dedication of the International Institute of Nano and Molecular Medicine, the institute will host an international symposium Oct. 20 to 22 in the Bond Life Sciences Center. The symposium will feature lectures from world-renowned chemists and scientists, including 2005 Nobel laureate in chemistry Robert Howard Grubbs from the California Institute of Technology.

The institute was established at MU in 2006 and currently is housed in a new 30,000-square foot laboratory building at Research Park. Since its inception, the institute has opened new avenues for exploring boron chemistry in a wide variety of biomedical pursuits, including pharmacology, imaging, nano devices and boron neutron capture therapy.

"This symposium celebrates nano and molecular medicine as a global endeavor, which is honored by the participation of many distinguished chemists and scientists in the nanotechnology,

New MU wireless network will provide greater security

WHY WIFI?

New network will require users to reconfigure computers

he university's Division of IT has added a third wireless network on campus as it prepares to shut down an older network that is less secure. The new network, called Mizzou Wireless, will require users to reconfigure their computers, and the IT division is providing a number of resources to help users make the change.

The older wireless system, called TigerNet 1X, will be retired on Oct. 29, says Brien Waage, network architect. "TigerNet 1X is not as secure as Mizzou Wireless, our newest

wireless network. Mizzou Wireless provides much stronger encryption and authentication," Waage says, "As there are three wireless networks in service today, reducing the number greatly simplifies maintenance and troubleshooting."

Mizzou Wireless offers the same speed as TigerNet 1X — 54 million bits per second (Mbps) — however, users will have to reconfigure their computers to move to the new network. Waage says there are many sources of help to make the move easier. A good place to start, he says, is at the IT division's help site called KnowledgeBase at help.missouri. edu. That site includes detailed configuration instructions for different computers.

Faculty and staff can also get help from their departmental IT professional. A roster of these experts, listed department by department, is at doit.missouri. edu/it-pro/list.html. And, Waage says, help in reconfiguring your computer for Mizzou Wireless also is available by calling the IT Help Desk at 882-5000 or by stopping by the Tech Desk at the back of TigerTech in Brady Commons. Walk-up help will be available at Brady Commons on October 29, 30 and 31 for individuals with laptop computers.

For most computers, no new hardware or software is required, Waage says. "You should make the transition as soon as possible to ascertain whether

any hardware or software changes are needed, The manufacturer of your wireless card may have updated software drivers you can download."

MU's first wireless network, TigerNet, will remain in service for a time after TigerNet 1X is retired, but it's better to make the move to Mizzou Wireless now rather than using TigerNet, Waage says. "TigerNet is not as secure as Mizzou Wireless. Besides, we intend to retire TigerNet in January 2009. It's easier just to make the move to Mizzou Wireless now and save the aggravation of making two changes."

The university began deploying wireless service in the late 1990s, and the MU

campus now has 1,213 "access points" serving indoor and many outdoor areas. It provides access to Mizzou TigerNet, the Internet, and Internet2 at a speed of 54 million bits per second. Wireless standards have come a long way since those early days, when speeds were much slower — from two to 11 million bits per second.

Wireless access points connect to the campus' wired network through secure "contention-based" access, which means users contend to use a specific access point. That is different than wired connections, where each user has full access to the transmission medium. From a practical standpoint, the contention is rarely, if ever, noticeable. The Division of IT division continues to investigate up-and-coming wireless technologies such as WiMAX, which is intended to provide broadband wireless services for whole cities.



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biology and translational medicine fields," says Fred Hawthorne, the institute's director. A complete schedule of symposium speakers is available online at www. nanomed.missouri.dedication.

The legacy of slavery

This year marks the 200th anniversary of the United States ending its legal role in the international slave trade. MU's Black Studies Program is sponsoring a three-day conference beginning this evening that commemorates that anniversary and explores linkages with MU's own history. The conference seeks to encourage dialogue and discussion about slavery and its legacy.

"Cessation, Nation and Reparations: The Legacy of Slavery in the United States" will be held at the Gaines/ Oldham Black Culture Center in memory of the late Julius Thompson, former director of the Black Studies Program. The conference will feature talks, panel discussions, an exhibit of historical photos and documents from MU's past, and a virtual walking tour of historic black Columbia. More information is available from the Black Studies Program at 882-6229.

Nuts to you

You've probably heard about their culinary allure in the lyrics of Christmas carols for years, but have you ever really tasted a chestnut? You'll have your chance this Saturday. And yes, those chestnuts will be "roasting on an open fire" at the sixth annual Missouri Chestnut Roast from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 18 at MU's Horticulture and Agroforestry Research Center in New Franklin, Mo.

In addition to those freshroasted chestnuts, take tours of the research farm and the 1819 Hickman House now being renovated. You can also sample Missouri cheeses, wines and specialty products; listen to live music; watch cooking demonstrations; enjoy children's activities and a lovely autumn vista. Visit www.centerforagroforestry for directions and a complete schedule.

Mizzou pitches in on city's non-motorized transportation efforts

BIKE-FRIENDLY

Online map traces preferred campus cycling

f it seems like there are more bicycles on campus this fall, it's probably because there are," says Peter Ashbrook, director of Environmental Health and Safety. He attributes increased bike use to high gas prices, a larger student body and the GetAbout Columbia project.

Columbia residents are becoming familiar with GetAbout Columbia, which is a program that promotes a citywide shift from motor vehicles to alternate transportation methods, including walking and bicycling. The project is funded by a five-year, \$22 million federal grant the city received in 2006.

With more than 28,000 students and thousands of employees, the University of Missouri can have a big impact in any local shift to alternative transportation, Ashbrook says. He and Jim Joy, director of Parking and Transportation Services, along with Mike Alden, director of Intercollegiate Athletics, represent MU on the GetAbout Columbia advisory committee.

In addition, Jackie Jones, vice chancellor for Administrative Services, recognized MU's important role in supporting Columbia's alternative transportation efforts and appointed a campuswide committee to address nonmotorized transportation.

Ashbrook, who is chair of that committee, says the group's goal is to gather input from various campus constituencies and provide coordinated input for the city's efforts.

So far, those activities have focused on educational and promotional programs and upgrading or installing new infrastructure.

Many of these city activities touch MU, Ashbrook says. He points to some of the improvements that have been accomplished because of the grant:

- MU has a bike plan that designates preferred bike routes through campus
- Columbia will be upgrading intersections around campus to make them safer for bicyclists and pedestrians. The first ones will be at Stewart and Providence roads and at Stadium Boulevard and Providence Road, Safety improvements will include upgrading the medians on Stadium Boulevard, countdown timers to let pedestrians know when the light will change, making crosswalks more visible and adjusting turn lanes to force cars to slow more.
- The city has marked a bike route on Fifth Street, and is planning on marking additional bike routes this month on Elm, Hitt and Ninth streets, Conley and Stewart roads, and Maryland Avenue. Most of these markings will use "sharrows" which are pictures of a bicycle and arrows, to

indicate that the street is to be shared by cars and cyclists.

• The grant is providing additional bike racks at a half dozen campus locations, with MU departments picking up the cost for installation.

Cars are still the most common option for commuting to campus, but almost all students, faculty and staff become pedestrians to get where they are going once they arrive on campus. The mix of pedestrians, vehicles and bicycles create plenty of opportunities

for accidents, Ashbrook says.

To address those safety concerns, MU developed the PAVE (Pedestrian And Vehicle Education) program several years ago to stress that mutual courtesy is the key to safety for drivers and pedestrians.

Ashbrook's department also has developed a Web site on bicycle safety at ehs.missouri. edu/work/bikes.html. This site provides general safety information for bicyclists, guidance for departments and links to other Web pages

that include campus policies, regulations, bicycle registration, the campus bike plan and GetAbout Columbia.

Campus departments such as Campus Facilities, Parking and Transportation Services, MU Police and Environmental Health and Safety monitor pedestrian and bicycle accidents, then follow up on trouble spots raised by the campus community. "I don't know if we can eliminate these accidents, but we are trying to keep them to a minimum," Ashbrook says.

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Concerts & Plays Monday, October 20

FACULTY RECITAL:

Percussionist Julia Gaines will perform at 8 p.m. in Whitmore Recital Hall. A \$5 donation is suggested.

Thursday, October 23

THEATER SERIES: Life & Literature in Performance will feature student written adaptations of poetry, prose, ethnography and folk tales at 8 p.m. today and Oct. 24 & 25 in the Corner Playhouse, and a t 2 p.m. Oct. 26 at Thespian hall in Boonville. Produced and directed by Heather Carter, the event is free and open to the public.

Friday, October 24

MSA/GPC CONCERT:

Grammy Award-winning hip-hop artist Common will perform at 8 p.m. in Jesse Auditorium. Tickets available from Brady Commons box office.

Conferences Thursday, October 16

BLACK STUDIES

CONFERENCE: "Cessation, Nation and Reparations: The Legacy of Slavery in the United Sates" begins this evening and runs through Oct. 18 at the Gaines/Oldham Black Studies Center. The three-day event includes talks, panel discussions, a dramatic performance, historical photo exhibits and an Oct. 18 "Virtual Walking Tour of Historic Black Columbia. For a complete schedule of programs, contact the Black Studies Program at 82-6229 or e-mail blackstudies@missouri.edu.

NURSING CONFERENCE: "Creating Jazz: Transforming Exchanges in Education & Practice" is the annual National Conference on Professional Nursing Education and Development. The four-day conference will be held at the InterContinental Hotel in Kansas City and begins today and will conclude Oct. 19. Ínformation and online

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Exhibits BINGHAM GALLERY:

Exchange: University of Missouri Kansas City Art Faculty Show" will feature painting, photographs, electronic media, printmaking, and graphic design and will be on display through Oct. 10. The gallery, located in the Fine

Arts Building, is open from

8 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays. MUSEUM OF ART & ARCHAEOLOGY

The Fine Art of Living: Luxury Objects From the East and West" is on display through spring 2009.

'Missouri Through Lens and Palette" features artwork and photography showing the people and lands of smalltown Missouri throughout the 20th century and will be on display through Dec. 24.

"William Hogarth's Marriage a la Mode," which satirizes fashionable marriages of convenience between members of the aristocratic and working classes, will be on display Oct. 3 – Feb 1.

The museum, located in Pickard Hall, is open from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and from noon 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.
 STATE HISTORICAL

SOCIETY OF MISSOURI:

1908-2008: 100 Years of Election Cartoons" will feature original editorial cartoon drawings that provide critique and commentary on a century of presidential elections in the United States and will be on

display through January 3. "Engelhardt on Elections' will feature Thomas Engelhardt works from the society's collection as well as Engelhardt's personal collection and will be on display through Jan. 17. Engelhardt will discuss his cartoons and his career as a political cartoonist as he leads visitors through

the exhibit at 2 p.m. Oct. 18. "Politics and the Press: 200 Years of Missouri Newspapers" will illustrate how Missouri newspapers have reported on the political life of the state since 1908 and will be on display through January 2009.

"Between the Lions" explores the connection between the Missouri School of Journalism and China in the early 20th century and will be on display through January 2009 at the Western Historical Manuscripts Collection on the west side of Ellis Library.

Museum hours are 9 a.m.- 4 p.m. & 5-8 p.m. Tuesday, and 9 a.m.- 4 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday.

Lectures & Seminars Thursday, October 16

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS SEMINAR: Shakir Hamoodi will present "An Update on the Current Iraq Situation" at noon

in S203 Memorial Union. ART LECTURE: Leo Mazow, curator of American art for the Palmer Art Museum at Penn State University, will present "Thomas Hart Benton: Painting the Sound" at 5:30 p.m. in Ellis Auditorium followed by a reception in the

Cast Gallery at Pickard Hall.

Friday, October 17

NATURAL RESOURCES **SEMINAR:** Jim de Jong, director of THE Great Plains Americans With Disabilities Act Center, will present "Dealing with ADA Issues in Natural Resource Environments' at 3:30 p.m. in 123 Natural

Saturday, October 18

Resources Building.

SATURDAY MORNING SCIENCE: Melissa Goellner Mitchum, assistant professor of plant sciences, will present "Nematodes: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly" at 10:30 a.m. in the Life Sciences Center's Monsanto Auditorium.

Monday, October 20

ARCHAEOLOGY LECTURE:

Alison Futrell, associate professor of history at the . University of Arizona, will present "Blood and Power: Arena, Spectacle and the Roman Empire" at 5:30 p.m. in 106 Pickard Hall.

INFORMATICS INSTITUTE SEMINAR: Eric Grimson, chair of medical engineering and professor of computer science and engineering at MIT, will present "Anatomical Structure Analysis: Computer Vision Techniques for Segmentation, Shape Variation and Poπpulation Analysis' at 11 a.m. in Lafferre Hall's

Ketcham Auditorium.
MICROBIOLOGY & **IMMUNOLOGY SEMINAR:** Wade Abbott from the University of Victoria in British Columbia will present "The



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Dr. Berdahl has a long and distinguished career both as a scholar in history and a higher education administrator. Most recently he served as chancellor of the University of California at Berkeley and was former president of the University of Texas at Austin.





Robert J. Trulaske, Sr. College of Business

Structural Basis of Periplasmic Recognition, Degradation and Transport of Pectic Sugars Within the Gastrointestinal Pathogen Yersinia enterocolitica" at 11 a.m. in M437 Medical Sciences Building.

Tuesday, October 21

PHARMACOLOGY & PHYSIOLOGY SEMINAR:

Keith Burridge from the cell biology and developmental biology department at the University of North Carolina, will present "Rho GTPase in Cell Adhesion and Leukocyte Transendothelial Migration' at 10 a.m. in M437 Medical Sciences Building.
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

SEMINAR: Subbaya Subramanian from the University of Minnesota will present "Genomics of Sarcoma: Insights From mRNA and miRNA Expression Profiles" at 3:30 p.m. in the Life Sciences Center's Monsanto Auditorium.

NUCLEAR SCIENCE SEMINAR: Tom Spurling, research professor at the Australian Centre for Emerging Technologies and Society at Swinburne University, will present "Commonwealth Scientific & Industrial Research Organization — Contributing to Australia" at 4 p.m. in E1419 Lafferre Hall Auditorium.

WRITING PROGRAM SEMINAR: Joe Zulovich, extension assistant professor of agriculture, will present "Group Work" at noon

Wednesday, October 22

in the Conley House.

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES SEMINAR: Rebecca Kimball, associate professor of zoology at the University of Florida, will present "Phylogenomics of Birds" at 3:30 p.m. in 106 Lefevre Hall.

CREATIVE WRITING LECTURE: Jewish-American poet Rodger Kamenetz, professor of creative writing at Louisiana State University, will present "An Evening With Rodger Kamenetz" at 4 p.m. in 104 Tate. He will read from his work at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 23 in 106 Pickard Hall.

Thursday, October 23

NUTRITIONAL SCIENCES SEMINAR: Willis Samson, professor of pharmacological & physiological science at St. Louis University, will present 'Novel Feeding Peptides and Autonomic Function" at 4 p.m. in Acuff Auditorium, MA217 Medical Sciences Building.

Friday, October 24

CREATIVE WRITING

PROGRAM: Short story writer and novelist Moira Crone will present "An Evening with Moira Crone" at 4 p.m. in 104 Tate.

Films

Thursday, October 16

MUSEUM FILM SERIES: His *Girl Friday* will be shown at 7 p.m. in 106 Pickard Hall. SPIRITUALITY & HEALTH

FILM: Renewal, a film about the religious environmental movement's work in the United States, will be shown at 7 p.m. in Memorial Union's Wrench Auditorium followed by a discussion led by Jan Weaver, director of MU's environmental studies porgram.

Special Events Thursday, October 16

DIVERSITY EVENT: Third Thursday brings out the best in live neo-soul, hip-hop, and spoken word along with free food at 7 p.m. in the Gaines/ Oldham Black Culture Center.

Saturday, October 25

MUSEUM EVENT: "Haunted Museum" will allow families, children, students, and grownups to tour the Museum of Art and Archaeology and see various artwork come to life from 6-8:30 p.m.

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More sensitive NMR shows AIDS infection

STEPPING STONE

Scientists watch viral enzyme mature

fter improving the sensitivity of nuclear magnetic resonance, MU researchers actually watched the HIV-1 protease mature from an inactive form into an active infection. This process has never been directly visualized before.

"We actually saw the process occur," says Chun Tang, assistant professor of biochemistry. "This is something that has never been done before. We now understand more about the maturation process. We hope this will be a stepping stone to intervening before the infection progresses."

The HIV-1 protease is responsible for releasing the essential building blocks of an infective HIV-1 viral particle, the culprit of AIDS. The HIV-1 protease is one of the primary targets of therapeutic treatment. However, the viral enzyme is constantly mutating in an effort to gain drug resistance.

"HIV-1 protease is not an active enzyme when it is first expressed in cells. It has to be activated to do its job," Tang

says. "What we were able to see is how it self-activates from an immature form when the virus is not infective into a mature form when the virus gains infectivity."

Tang and his colleagues used a novel nuclear magnetic resonance method called paramagnetic resonance relaxation enhancement and were able to see the temporary joining of two halves of HIV-1 protease precursor, something that had not been accessible before using conventional techniques.

The researchers discovered that the 'tail,' or the flanking amino acid residues, of the HIV-1 protease precursor go through a temporarily formed tunnel where the tail is cut off. At this point, the protease becomes active, the maturation process proceeds, and the virus becomes infective.

"The more we understand about the virus, especially about the maturation into infection, the more we can do to identify novel therapeutics," Tang says. The study, "Visualizing transient events in aminoterminal autoprocessing of HIV-1 protease," was published Oct. 1 in the journal Nature.

2009 academic calendar corrections

everal incorrect dates appeared in the academic calendar for the 2009 summer session that printed in several university publications. The correct dates are:

SUMMER SESSION 2009 8-WEEK SESSION

Classwork begins, 7:30 a.m., M, June 08 Independence Day recess (no classes), F, July 03 8-week session closes,

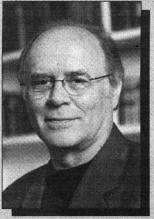
5:30 p.m., F, July 31 FIRST 4-WEEK SESSION

Classwork begins, 7:30 a.m., M. June 08 First 4-week session closes, 5:30 p.m., Th, July 02 SECOND 4-WEEK

SESSION

Classwork begins, 7:30 a.m., M, July 06 Second 4-week session closes, 5:30 p.m., F, July 31

Spirituality, Belief and Time A lecture by Dr. William E. Connolly



Oct. 17, 2008 - 3 p.m. Cornell Hall, Room 206 University of Missouri

Dr. Connolly, Krieger-Eisenhower Professor in political science at Johns Hopkins University, addresses creating a new "resonance machine" and issues raised in his latest book, Capitalism and Christianity, American Style,

and engages the critique of secularism presented by Catholic philosopher Charles Taylor.

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Tiger in your tank

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MU scientists lead the way in hydrogen car research

he next alternative fuel in a vehicle's tank might. be nothing more than gas with a little help from corn. However, instead of the usual petroleum-based fuel, this gas will be hydrogen, and the corn will be in the form of corncobcharcoaled briquettes.

To further develop this alternative fuel concept, researchers at the University of Missouri and Midwest Research Institute (MRI) were recently awarded a three-year, \$1.9 million grant from the U.S. Department of Energy to continue studying a solution to hydrogen storage in vehicles.

"Developmental hydrogen vehicles exist today but current designs require large, bulky tanks of compressed hydrogen gas to hold the fuel," says Peter Pfeifer, professor and chair of physics. The tanks also have a relatively small range, only holding enough fuel to travel up to 200 miles. We will be working on reducing the size and weight of the tank and increasing the storage capacity by developing storage materials that hold hydrogen at a much lower pressure than the current high-pressure tanks. The new tanks will store hydrogen on the surface of appropriately engineered carbons."

Pfeifer will work with M. Frederick Hawthorne, professor

of radiology, chemistry and physics and director of the MU International Institute for Nano and Molecular Medicine; Carlos Wexler, associate professor of physics; Galen Suppes, professor of chemical engineering; and researchers at Midwest Research Institute in Kansas City to develop the hydrogen storage material.

The research is a continuation of previous studies during which Pfeifer and his colleagues found that corncobs, when reduced to carbon briquettes and "doped" with boron, have a unique ability to store natural gas with high capacity at low pressure, a discovery that allows for more flexible and less bulky fuel tank designs.

First, Suppes will create carbon briquettes with high surface areas from corncobs in a special multi-step process. The high surface area, where one gram of carbon has an area comparable to a football field, is key to a high storage capacity, Pfeifer says. In the second step of the process, Hawthorne will add boron to the carbon in the briquettes through a process known as "boron doping." Previous research found that adding boron to the carbon greatly increases its storage capacity. Finally, Pfeifer and Wexler will design carbon and boron structures that maximize the storage capacity and will test the storage capacity.

Midwest Research Institute

researchers will support the team by designing and constructing the doping system as well as a low temperature hydrogen uptake fixture that is used to determine how much hydrogen is stored per standard liter. The institute also will assist with project management responsibilities for the team.

'We are very pleased to be able to take the innovative fuel storage technology that we are developing for natural gas vehicles and now apply it to hydrogen storage," says Phil Buckley, Midwest Research Institute's principal engineer. "This method will help us design the best storage facility and, at the same time, determine the best way to create the material," Pfeifer says. "The collaboration we have on MU's campus as well as the expertise of the scientists and engineers at the Midwest Research Institute is vital to the success of our research. The MU Research Reactor Center also will play an important role in this study. Without this collaboration, this study would have been very difficult or impossible to complete."

This MU-MRI project is one of 10 cost-shared hydrogen storage research and development projects recently announced by the DOE, projects that are part of President Bush's Hydrogen Fuel Initiative as well as the President's Advanced Energy Initiative to reduce the Nation's dependence on foreign energy sources.

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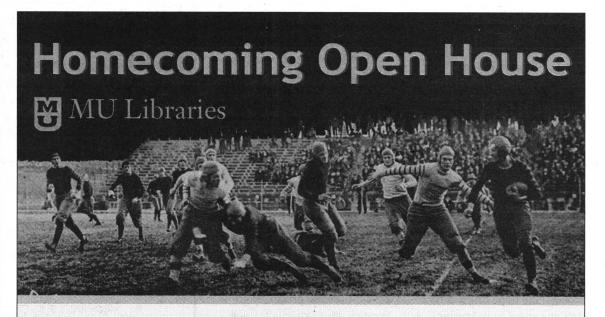
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public schools in the Association of American Universities.

In the first phase of Compete Missouri, Deaton said salaries for ranked faculty at MU increased an average of 7.1 percent for the current academic year. "Plans are now under way for phase 2," Deaton said. "The deans have already been notified that two-thirds of the faculty openings that were coming up have already been OK'd and released so that searches can get under way immediately.

"We felt it was only prudent to withhold the remaining third - approximately a third until we saw more about how the economy, and in particular this state's economy, are turning out. So we've been successful in moving our salaries toward that mean of the public AAU universities. We will continue down that pathway."

Many in attendance at Monday's general faculty meeting were there to discuss academic grievances, but Tom Phillips, chair of Faculty Council, also outlined other projects the council will tackle this year.

For instance, Phillips, professor of biological sciences, said the provost's office has asked Faculty Council "to consider whether we need to do a review of the general education requirement. It's been a number of years since we've looked at that as a whole." He said the council's academic affairs committee is "deciding whether that's a good idea, and if so what the depth and scope of that review should be."

Other council subcommittees will be busy as well, Phillips said. As a student-initiated proposal to add a diversity course requirement goes through the system, the diversity enhancement committee will study the proposal before it comes to the full council. In addition to working on grievance policy revisions, the faculty affairs committee is also looking at the mass e-mail policy and tuition benefits for retirees.

The council's fiscal affairs committee, Phillips said, will monitor the Compete Missouri policy and ensure that savings go to salary increases. Phillips said the student affairs committee will be looking at several issues this year, including quartertime graduate assistantships and exploring ways to reduce textbook costs for students.

But academic grievances were on the minds of most at the gathering. "Every year, there are always a couple of issues that I think really affect the quality of life for our faculty and students or impact the educational experience at MU," Phillips said.

"Today we have a perfect example of that, and that's the

grievance policy. I'm hoping no one here ever has to file a grievance, but if you do it's incumbent on us to have the best and most fair policy in place."

Faculty Council has grappled with updating the university's academic grievance policy for at least the past 10 years. At issue in Monday's faculty meeting was the most recent proposed set of revisions to the policy. Faculty are currently voting on the new policy, and ballots are due at the end of the month. At Monday's general faculty

meeting, a panel discussed the proposed policy and fielded questions from the audience.

The new policy would speed up the grievance process, panel members said, and it would cut down paperwork and emphasize mediation and informal resolution of disputes. It also establishes an oversight committee that would gauge how the new process is working.

Perhaps the most contentious of the policy revisions is to change the make-up of grievance hearing panels from five faculty

members to two faculty and one high-ranking administrator.

Including an administrator on the panel would be "undermining that tradition of peer review and faculty governance," said Victoria Johnson, a council member and associate professor of sociology. It also could give the perception that the outcome of the hearing was "rigged," Johnson said, or might make faculty hesitate to file a grievance for fear of retaliation.

Rainer Glaser, professor of chemistry, agreed that an administrator on a hearing panel would undermine the idea of the grievance process as a "peer review" by faculty colleagues. "I'm a scientist," Glaser said. "In science, the only thing worthwhile is peer review."

But several panel members argued that the proposed Faculty Council oversight committee would not allow that to happen. Wilson Watt, associate professor of social work, pointed out that the proposal is for a two-year pilot program that could be revised again if it doesn't work.

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When pasta is prologue



Inited Way photo

HE'S REALLY COOKING Willie Jones, a records analyst, coordinates the United Way campaign at Records Management. Each year he prepares his signature dish — Willie's Pasta and Eggs — to thank co-workers for their participation in the campaign.

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'Willie's Pasta and Eggs' has become annual United Way event

he opportunity to sample Willie Jones' delectable dish of pasta and eggs certainly isn't the only thing that sparks his co-workers' participation in the university's United Way campaign. But then again, it certainly doesn't hurt.

Jones, a records analyst with Records Management, has shepherded his unit through the campaign every year for more than a dozen years. Records

Management is always one of the first units to return all of its pledge cards at the beginning of

each campaign. To celebrate that achievement, and to show his appreciation, Jones prepares his signature creation for colleagues in his office — "Willie's Pasta and Eggs." It's a hearty combination of ham, chicken

or other meat, that he cooks in an electric skillet with eggs, milk, cheese, pasta and a liberal dose of spices and seasoning.

"I want to keep morale up for giving," Jones says of the annual brunch he serves co-workers. "I want to make people feel good about giving to United Way or at least getting their pledge cards in." The dish started out as an old family recipe that Jones learned from his grandmother. Over the years he kept embellishing the basic recipe, adding a pinch of this and a dash of that. "Now it is my creation," he says.

And no one makes it quite like he does, says co-worker Linda Moritz, an administrative assistant with Records Management. "It's delicious; it's good stuff," she says. Moritz talked Jones into sharing the recipe and tried making it at home, but it didn't turn out quite the same as when he prepares it, she says. "His is a lot better because he knows how to do it." This year, she asked him if she could help prepare the dish for the office brunch and watch it being made.

Jones does most of the cooking at home, and the pasta dish is a big hit around

his house as

well, he says. "When I make it at home, my daughter always says, 'Daddy, make sure you make enough for me.' When you add the cheese to it, she's there."

Everyone in his office has fun with the annual brunch, but Jones says the cause it supports is a serious and important one. United Way and the agencies it supports act as a vital safety net for friends and neighbors who need a helping hand. "I'm just like everyone else," Jones says. "I look around and I see the needs that are out there, and I see those needs are on the increase. I would never want to see my family doing without food. But with this bad economy, that could be the case for a lot of families after the absence of just a few paychecks. The thing I love most about

United Way is that the money we give stays in the area."

Jones is sharing his recipe for Willie's Pasta and Eggs so you can whip up a celebratory batch after you send in your own United Way pledge card — even if you don't work in Records Management. "Everyone has to make this dish to their own taste," he explains. "I use my spices liberally, but some people might only want salt and pepper in the dish. That's fine; it'll taste just wonderful."



United Way photo
A DECADENT DISH Willie Jones'
co-workers in Records
Management look forward to
hearty helpings of Willie's Pasta
and Eggs at an annual brunch he
throws each year to help kick off
the unit's United Way campaign.

Willie's Pasta and Eggs Ingredients

- 1/4 cup chopped onions
- 1/4 cup combination chopped green peppers and mushrooms
- Scant teaspoon of garlic salt or a couple cloves chopped garlic (Optional to taste)
- 2 to 4 cups of your favorite meats: chicken,

pork, turkey or beef steak
• 4 to 5 eggs with spices
and enough milk to get the
consistency of scrambled eggs
• 2 to 4 cups boiled and

- drained pasta of your choice
 1 to ½ cups grated
- cheese of your choice
 Splash of cooking wine
 (Jones uses sherry)
- Several shakes of paprika

Directions

- In a lightly oiled skillet or wok, add the meat and brown lightly over medium heat
- Add the onions, peppers and mushrooms
- Add a splash of cooking wine
- Mix eggs in a bowl with milk, salt, pepper and your favorite spices for more flavor, add to skillet and continue cooking
- Add the 2 to 4 cups pasta
- Top with the cheese and add color with a light covering of paprika
- Serve hot with hot biscuits, butter and jelly or preserves. Usually serves 4 to 6.

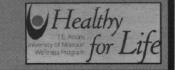
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